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SUGGESTED PROGRAM, MEETING ROOSEVELT CO. TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION

January 28th, 1922.
One o'clock p. m., call to order.
1. Minutes of previous organization meeting.
2. Reports of committee on constitution and by-laws.
3. Report of executive committee on personnel of advisory committee.
4. Enrollment of members.
5. "Costs of County Government."—Discussion led by R. G. Bryant.
6. "Property Rendition."—Article 2, Ch. 133, Laws 1921.
7. Adjournment.

PORTALES PEOPLE HAVE MANY OPPORTUNITIES TO EXERCISE THEIR PRIVILEGES TO VOTE

In the next few months the People of Portales will have several opportunities to exercise their privileges at the polls.
The city election will soon be upon us.
The school election is not far distant.
The primary election will also demand their attention.
Now is a good time to begin thinking how you will exercise this privilege.

ROOSEVELT COUNTY FARMERS ARE NOW MARKETING GRAIN

During the past week or so the Roosevelt county farmers have been busy hauling in their surplus grain and placing the same on the market, getting the hauling over before time to begin on another crop. Last year they were up to the middle of the summer in hauling it in and had to take considerable loss on account of weevils and rats.

SINGING CONVENTION TO MEET AT CAUSEY

The Singing Convention of Southeast Roosevelt county will meet at Causey on the second Sunday in March. All are invited to take part in this convention.

J. B. PRIDDY RECOVERING FROM OPERATION

Word from St. Louis is to the effect that J. B. Priddy, who was operated on in a sanatorium that place, is making a speedy recovery.

INCOME TAX IN NUTSHELL

WHO! Single persons who had net income of \$1,000 or more, or gross income of \$5,000 or more. Married couples who had net income of \$2,000 or more, or gross income of \$5,000 or more.
WHEN! March 15, 1922, is final date for filing returns and making first payments.
WHERE! Collector of internal revenue for the district in which the person lives, or has his principal place of business.
HOW! Full directions on Form 1040A and Form 1040; also the law and regulations.
WHAT! Four per cent normal tax on taxable income up to \$4,000 in excess of exemption. Eight per cent normal tax on balance of taxable income. Surtax from 1 per cent to 65 per cent on net incomes over \$5,000 of the year 1921.

CENTRAL COMMITTEE ADJOURNED TILL 28TH

Last Saturday was the day set for the meeting of the Democratic Executive Committee of Roosevelt county, but owing to the blizzard a very small turnout was present and the meeting was adjourned till Saturday, January 28th, at 10 a. m. It is very important that a full delegation be present at this meeting as there is business of importance to transact in regard to the coming campaign.

RAGS! RAGS!!

We want—RAGS—clean cotton rags, no overalls or duckin'. Will pay 8c per pound. Hurry up with 'em, we're out.
Portales Valley News.

SCHOOL BOARD WILL OPEN BIDS MONDAY

Monday is the day set by the Portales School Board to open and consider bids for the erection of the new high school building.

LOOK WHAT THEY'RE DOING NOW

"Illustrated legs" is the latest fad in London. The West End beauty doctor is decorating a leg so boldly that the picture will show through a sheer silk stocking. And he says he has a steady demand for such designs.—Ex.

BASKET BALL

There will be a game of basket ball between the Floyd High school and the Portales High school Friday night. Also a game between the Kenna school and the Portales second team.

INFLUENZA IMPORTED IS BELIEF OF GOTHAM HEALTH AUTHORITIES

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—Health Department inspectors began watching today all incoming ships for cases of influenza. Dr. Royal S. Copeland, city health commissioner, believes that New York's increasing cases of influenza may be due in part to importations from Europe. All ships will be watched from today on and influenza patients found on them will be isolated.

"Sixty-four cases of influenza have been reported in the last two days," Dr. Copeland said. "Bronchitis has been unusually prevalent and other diseases of the respiratory tract, including pneumonia."

A CORRECTION.

The News was in error last week in the statement that it was the truck owned by Add Hobbs of Richland which ran over the little Denson girl. Mr. Hobbs says his truck was at home that day and he came to town in it the following day.

One Thing After Another

Just about the time the street car and interurban electric lines begin to ask for an increase in fares, Henry Ford makes a public announcement of a reduction in price of automobiles to pre-war levels. We thought of buying a new pair of shoes, but we have changed our mind and will buy a flivver.—Logansport, Ind. Tribune.

Much sickness is reported all over the county as well as over the entire country. It seems to be an epidemic of LaGrippe and sore throat. Considerable pneumonia is also reported. In Portales if you meet anyone who has not a rag steeped in turpentine or some other liniment, that person is considered quit out of style.

Attorney G. L. Reese attended district court at Clovis for the past session.

TAXPAYERS WILL MEET SATURDAY AFTERNOON

The Roosevelt County Tax Payers Association will meet at the court house Saturday afternoon. This is a new organization

BODY OF PONTIFF LIES IN STATE

Remains Carried in Majestic State to Saint Peter's by Solemn Procession of Cardinals, Priests, Diplomats, and Laid in Basilica.

COUNCIL WILL HEAR PAVING PROTESTS

The Town Council will be in session Friday evening at 7:30 at the court house to hear any protest to the paving program.

HAVE MERCY ON THE CANDIDATES

In many sections of these United States the candidate is considered legitimate prey for every kind of scheme. Now that the campaign is well under way, the Portales Valley News would suggest that the people over the county have mercy on them and do not try to bleed them for every penny possible. It is becoming so expensive to run for office that it will soon be impossible for any man to make a race without special interests or a national bank behind him. Pie suppers and box suppers are a good way to raise money for the community interests, but to hold them during a campaign, the candidates feel compelled to patronize them, and bid above their means, or be classed as cheap skates. Let's make it possible for a man to seek office on his qualifications and not on his pocket book.

INEZ ITEMS

The general occupation out here is duck hunting these cold days. Last Monday afternoon C. W. Breshears, B. F. Biggs, and W. R. Tollett reported having got 60 ducks with only six shots. Has anyone made a better hunt?

A big surprise birthday dinner was given S. W. Tollett last Sunday. He was 73 years old. The entire Sunday school went to his home after Sunday school and all could not get into the house, so went back to the church and served dinner to about 80 persons. All his children were present except his oldest son, who lives in Chattanooga, Tennessee.

The sewing class did the biggest days' work last Wednesday made three dress forms and are expecting to do a bigger days' work today.

A surprise party was given Mr. and Mrs. Audie Thomas last Saturday night and they say they have more chickens, as a result. Mrs. B. F. Biggs and babies are visiting her folks at Portales the first part of this week.

A shower party was given Mr. and Mrs. Tobe Grant in their new home Monday night.

Our Sunday school is doing fine there being 32 enrolled in the Careful Cleaners class, 23 of whom were present last Sunday. Our postman is becoming very popular. Says even the girls are feeding him cake along the road. His wife says she hopes it means nothing more than just an appreciation of his long and faithful service as postman.

Dr. T. E. Livingston and wife of Livermore, Iowa, who are visiting relatives here, are very much pleased with the progress of the Portales Valley. The doctor will probably locate here some time in the future.

ROME, Jan. 23.—In the basilica of St. Peter's historic church, the body of Pope Benedict XV lay in state today while vast throngs passed reverently before the catafalque.

Early in the day all that was mortal of the late pontiff whose death in his early hours of Sunday plunged the church throughout the world into deepest mourning, was taken from the throne room of the Vatican, where it had been placed on Sunday, shortly after his death. Then at 9:45 o'clock, it was solemnly carried to St. Peter's attended by a procession of cardinals, priests, members of the diplomatic corps, and dignitaries of the Vatican and placed on the catafalque surrounded by votive candles.

Main Points in Pope's Life Succeeded late Pope Pius X. Born at Pegli, Italy, Nov. 21, 1854, in diocese of Genes. Ordained priest in home land Dec. 21, 1878.

Served as secretary of Nonciature in Spain from 1883-87. Appointed secretary to late Cardinal Rampolla in 1887. Appointed substitute secretary of state in 1901.

Elected to post of adviser to holy office in 1907.

Appointed archbishop of Bologna, Dec. 16, 1907.

Named cardinal by Pope Pius X, May 25, 1914.

Elected Pope, Sept. 3, 1914.

His full title: Benedict XV, bishop of Rome and successor of St. Peter, supreme pontiff of the universal church, patriarch of the west, primate of Italy, archbishop and metropolitan of the Roman province, sovereign of the temporal dominion of the holy Roman church.

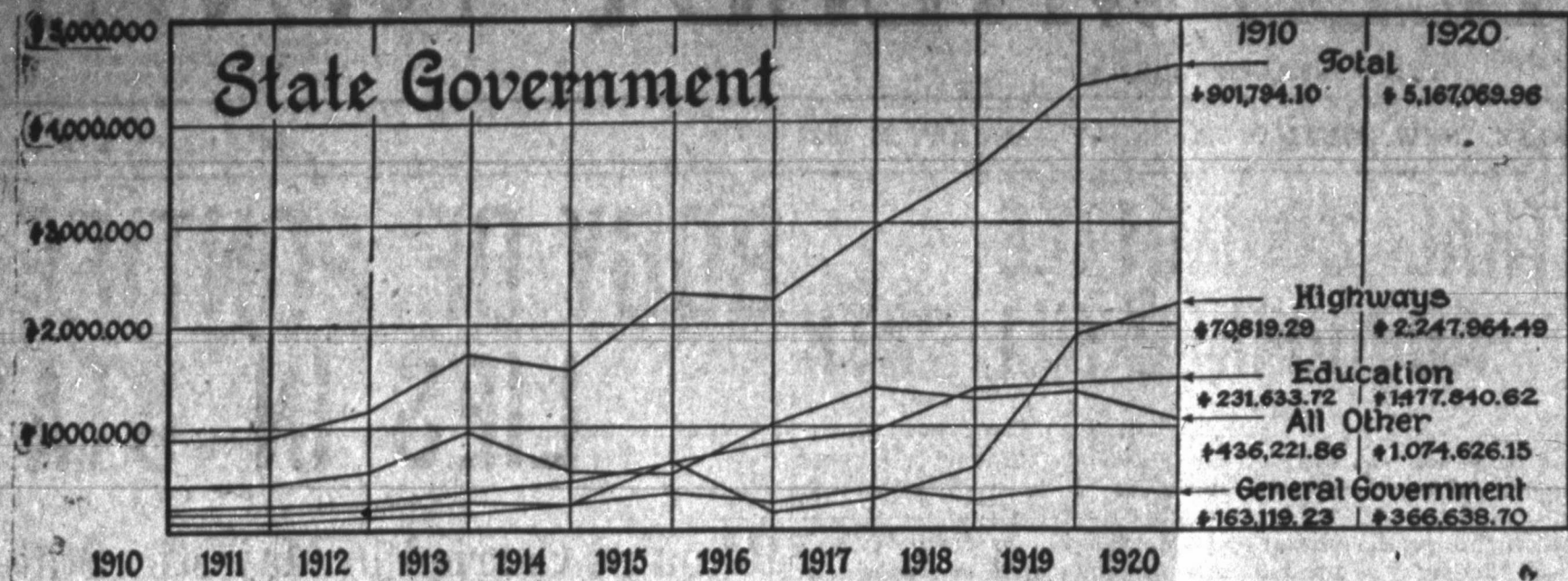
Died January 22, 1922.

NEW PROHIBITION AGENT FOR STATE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Appointment of Sam Bowman, Ironton, Ohio, as general federal prohibition agent for New Mexico was announced today by Commissioner Haynes.

A half-grown famished, benumbed and scared cottontail rabbit sneaked up to the door of an underground still of an honest Kansas farmer. Some of the "mash" had just been dumped out—to be taken to the swine before the day should dawn. The poor little rabbit nibbled a few small mouthfuls of the mash. In three minutes he walked boldly up to the house where lay the faithful watchdog—a powerful wolf hound—crossed with a bulldog. The rabbit hauled off and with one scratch removed the right eye of the dog. Two bites and the left ear and half a shoulder were missing. The rabbit then swept on to the corral where the big family mule was dozing. One kick from the rabbit broke three ribs and another punch sent the mule over the fence into the alfalfa field. The rabbit then chewed off the door of the garage and several hours later was still sleeping peacefully in the corner. When he awoke a mouse ran him off the farm.—Bert P. Walker.

Chart 2



In Chart No. 2 is shown the increase in disbursements of the STATE government during the decade 1910-1920. This chart shows also the valuations in annual disbursements not only for the total, but for the four classes which make up the total. Disbursements for general government amounted to \$163,119.23 in 1910 and to \$366,638.70 in 1920. For educational purposes there was disbursed \$231,633.72 in 1910, and \$1,477,840.62 in 1920. Highways called for \$70,819.29 of state funds in 1910 and for \$2,247,964.49 in 1920. For all other purposes there was disbursed \$436,221.86 in 1910 and \$1,074,626.15 in 1920. In 1910 the total state disbursements for all purposes amounted to less than \$1,000,000 and in 1920 to more than \$5,000,000. The increase from 1910 to 1915 was marked by the steep upward trend of disbursements during the past four years is startling in comparison. In the ten year period the total state disbursements have increased nearly 500 per cent.

EDWARD G. LOWRY

A Writer of Recognized Authority on National Government's Business Methods.

No Washington correspondent is better known or more highly esteemed than Edward G. Lowry. That in itself means that he has broad and deep knowledge of national and world affairs; that he is skillful in getting the news and tactful in writing it, and that he has the confidence of the public men with whom he comes in contact. But Mr. Lowry has more than that. He has the really patriotic feeling that the intimate knowledge of the nation's affairs, which he acquires through his work in Washington, should be imparted to the people of the country who have not his privileges, in such a way that they will be led to take that personal interest in the doings of the government, which alone will result in good government. He wants the people to realize that it is their government, answerable to them only, and that they only are responsible for its good qualities and its bad qualities. It is this feeling that has inspired much of Mr. Lowry's best work.

Born in Atlanta in 1876, Mr. Lowry was educated in private schools, the Georgia Military Institute and by private tutors, and began his journalistic career at the age of twenty-four. In 1904 he was sent to Washington and has been there almost continuously ever since. He has been the political correspondent of Harper's Weekly, has written many articles for the periodical press and since 1913 has been the Washington correspondent of the New York Evening Post, and for a considerable time the managing editor of that paper. When Germany started the World war the government naturally found important work for Mr. Lowry. For two years he was attached to the American embassy in London, and then he returned to become a captain in the aviation section of the signal corps. Then he was as-



Edward G. Lowry.

stant military attaché at London and on the British front in Flanders, and was with the American Army of Occupation in Germany. For his valuable work he was awarded the British Military Cross. Recently he wrote "Washington Close-Ups," a series of character sketches of eminent figures in the national capital, which the country is reading with vast enjoyment.

For two years Mr. Lowry has been making a close study of the business of the government. He is given credit in congress for his aid in passing the budget bill and in bringing about the naming of the joint committee of the house and senate to investigate and report upon the administration and organization of the government executive departments. He now wants the people of the United States to know the details of the United States government, which is their business. He believes the knowledge of these details will make of them better Americans and give them a better government.

No man not imbued with Mr. Lowry's high ideal could have carried out this study of the government business

so exhaustively and painstakingly as has he. Probably he now knows more about it than any other man in the world. With extraordinary perseverance and dogged persistence he went after hidden facts and multifarious details—and got them. Nothing was too big for his comprehension or too small for his attention. At one time he went to a member of the cabinet with the statement that the government had on its payroll, exclusive of the officers and men of the army and navy, one employee for each 88 people of the United States ten years of age and over engaged in gainful occupations. It took that cabinet officer, with the assistants he had at his command, a considerable time, and considerable effort to verify Mr. Lowry's statement, but he found it to be true.

As the result of his careful studies Mr. Lowry has written a series of articles on the business of government income and expense; where the money comes from, and how and for what it is spent; whether the organization of the business side of government is efficient or inefficient; whether the government wastes the money we give it. The series is not in any sense political. It is not an attack, not a muck-raking expedition. It recites facts, conceded, acknowledged facts. These facts come from the men in the government—from the government itself—and they are all facts that every American citizen is entitled to know and should know.

The series of articles on this subject of "Where Your Taxes Go" will be carried in these columns. They should be read by every American who is interested in the welfare of the nation.

JOE WALTERS FOR SHERIFF

Joe Walters is one of the "old timers" of Roosevelt county, having made this county his home for the past sixteen years. He homesteaded in the Floyd community twenty miles west of Portales where he has resided most of the time. For the past few years he has lived two miles east of Portales.

Mr. Walters is a farmer and a life long "Texas Democrat" and prohibitionist. He is well known to most of the voters in the county but takes this method in making his announcement for sheriff.

He is making the race on his own merits, subject to the will of the people and if elected, he promises to enforce the law without fear or favor and to execute the duties of sheriff to the best of his ability. He hopes to meet each voter personally and asks for a careful consideration and will appreciate your support, should he be your choice.

A. J. GOODWIN FOR PROBATE JUDGE

The News is authorized to announce A. J. Goodwin as candidate for re-election to the office of probate judge of Roosevelt county.

He assures you that if you see fit to return him to this position that he will endeavor to serve you faithfully and efficiently.

The probate office is a very important office, as it has to do with the settlement of estates and therefore should be in the hands of a competent and careful official. Judge Goodwin has proven himself to be both of these. He is a thorough democrat and makes the race subject to the action of the democratic primaries.

R. H. GRISSOM FOR COUNTY CLERK

R. H. Grissom authorizes the News to announce his candidacy for re-election to the office of clerk of Roosevelt county.

Mr. Grissom lays his record as a public official open for your inspection, and is making the race on his merits alone. He is now serving his first term in this capacity, and in this time has given the office his undivided time and attention. People of the county who have had business with his office have always found him to be courteous and obliging, and he has endeavored to keep the records in a way that the efficiency of the office demands.

He states that he will not be able to make a personal canvass of the county at this time, and asks that the voters, both ladies and gentlemen, consider his claims, and assures them that if they find him worthy, he will greatly appreciate their support at the coming democratic primaries.

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J. A. PIPKIN FOR TAX ASSESSOR

In placing the name of J. A. Pipkin before the voters of Roosevelt county for re-election to the office of tax assessor, the News does so with the confidence that Mr. Pipkin has made a conscientious official since his election a little over a year ago. He has given his entire time to the duties of this office, and has endeavored to obtain a fair and just rendition of the property of the county.

In again asking for your support, he does so with the confidence that he has done his duty, and asks that you investigate his record and if you find that he has been worthy of the trust you have placed in him, he asks for your support in the coming primaries.

He is now out in the county making the assessment of the taxes for the coming year, and will not be able to make a per-

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Hear the Pastor Rev. James J. Richards on the following Subjects:

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Evening:—"THREE BUILDINGS BADLY NEEDED IN PORTALES." What are they? Who Can Tell?

A Cordial Welcome to All

sonal canvas of everyone, and asks that in case he fails to see you in person, that you give him claims a fair consideration. He is making the race subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

G. T. LITTLEFIELD FOR COMMISSIONER OF PRECINCT NO. 2

George T. Littlefield of Kenna was in town last Saturday and authorized the News to announce his candidacy for re-election to the office of County Commissioner from Precinct No. 2.

Mr. Littlefield is now serving his first term to this office, and states that it has been no snap. His interests are the same as the interest of any tax payer in the county in regard to an efficient administration of the county affairs at the least expense to the

tax payers. This is one of the most important offices in the county, and should be in the hands of competent men to handle the affairs of the county, impartially, with justice to all and special privileges to none.

There is not a better known man in the county than Mr. Littlefield and he asks your support of his candidacy on his merits alone. He is a life long Democrat of the old school, and is making the race subject to the will of the people as expressed at the Democratic primaries.

You will do well to consider his claims for your support in making up your ballot.

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 1 1/2 cups granulated sugar, 2 1/2 cups flour, 1 cup water, 2 level teaspoons Calumet Baking Powder, 1 teaspoon lemon, yolks of 9 eggs. Then mix in the regular way.

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RICHLAND REVIEW

The Richland basket ball team will play the Fort Sumner team at Fort Sumner Friday as we did not get to go last Friday. Every one cordially invited. You will see your money's worth.

Prof. Welch is getting along nicely with his singing school. Everyone is learning fast and thinks he is doing his best.

There was a fine crowd at Sunday school and singing Sunday. Rev. Blair and family and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Maxwell being our visitors. We hope they will come again.

Mr. Eugene Hay has returned home from Roswell where he has been the past week.

Miss Mabel Burke and Mr. Eugene Butts called at the home of J. W. Stigall Sunday night.

We have been having some cold weather lately but are looking forward for better.

Business called Mr. Eugene Hay and Mr. J. W. Stigall to Portales Monday.

Grant Gordon and Eugene Butts witnessed the basket ball game between Floyd and Clovis last Saturday. They denoted fine playing by both teams.

Tom Cooper spent Sunday night with his sister, Mrs. Jay Carroll. Misses Beryl Watson and Mabel Burke prepared dinner for Mr. Welch and wife Sunday.

Mrs. A. M. Carroll is improving but we hope she will be still better at the next writing.

Snap Shots

We had noticed that since Mr. and Mrs. Welch have been here teaching us a little music that Wanda has liked very well to talk to Mrs. Welch, but until very lately we didn't know what they found so interesting to talk about. It seems that Mrs. Welch is much interested in the Lamessa country, which is the place Wanda came from and this is what we heard her say among several other interesting things: "Why, Mrs. Welch, everybody back home had things fixed so nice—now we had a cemetery bath room and a cremated cellar and—a hoosit!" Now this was something new and Wanda had to explain, which she did this way: "Well, it's a thing you have hanging on the wall and when it rings, you put a black thing up to your ear and you say, 'hello!' and someone else says 'hello!' and then you say 'hoosit!'"

We Wonder—

Why Mr. Butts' hearing is getting poor? How Lester made the trade he did without paying boot?

KENTUCKY VALLEY ITEMS

On Sunday Bro. Gilliam of Elida preached after Sunday school to the people here.

Mr. Grissom of Elida attended Sunday school and preaching here Sunday.

C. S. Toler spent two days in Clovis last week.

We are expecting a visit from our County Superintendent this coming Friday. Shall we be good and make him think we're angels, or shall we be mischievous and bring to him his childhood days?

Mrs. Hendrix is sufficiently recovered to be sitting up.

Yvette Stephens is absent from school this week on account of the sickness of her mother.

Clifford Sudddy, after a nine day's absence, is with us again.

May Miller spent Monday with us in the school room. She comes to visit, but can't quite make up her mind to be a regular student. Wonder why she don't get right?

On Saturday Miss Woods had the pleasure of visiting her home near Elida, but Mrs. Maxwell decided not to have the same pleasure, as she would have had to face that stiff breeze sixty-five miles.

KENNA ECHOES

It was real cold in this part of the country the latter part of last week. The school car made it to school alright if it did freeze up once.

A. C. White, Mrs. Teague, Miss Nora Teague and W. P. Palm were Portales visitors last Saturday.

The literary society met last Saturday with the largest attendance we have had since its organization. The play, "Those Husbands of Ours," was enjoyed

by everyone. The program was the best one rendered in quite a while.

Mrs. George T. Littlefield and daughters Rosalie and Grace were Portales visitors last Saturday.

Miss Eleanor Gardner, Miss Pearl Bramlett and W. P. Palm were guests of Mr. L. M. Carmichael and family last Sunday.

Frank Good made a business trip to Fort Sumner last week.

Dr. McGee of Elida was seen in town last week. Those on the sick list are: Miss Bramlett, Miss Gardner and John Denton.

ROGERS RUMBLINGS

The weather is very threatening at present.

Miss Ruth Wilson spent the week end at her home in Clovis. Every one in the community has had colds at this writing.

Miss Marie Phillips spent the week end with home folks, returning to her school at Center Point Sunday afternoon.

Miss Gussie Escue spent Monday night with Miss Ruth Wilson. Mrs. E. J. Maxwell spent the week-end with her son Charles Maxwell.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Phillips and daughters Marguerite and Marie, Grandpa Kimmons and Gladys and Bernice Maxwell spent Sunday in the Escue Home. All reported a nice time.

Jap Post, Chas. Maxwell, Doc Herndon butchered several hogs yesterday.

Mrs. D. G. Horne and family spent Sunday with her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Duke.

C. C. Maxwell and Doc Herndon expect to leave for Hot Springs, New Mexico, in a few days.

Mrs. Frank Seignor spent the week end in Portales.

Several from this place expect to attend the Fifth Sunday meeting at Richland.

Rev. and Mrs. Blair and little sons, Earl and R. C., Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Maxwell motored to church at Mt. Zion, from there to Richland where Prof. Welch is holding a singing school and reported some good singing.

The basket ball game last Friday afternoon between the High school girls and the lady teachers and others proved quite interesting, the score being two and ten in favor of the High school girls.

The High school is working on a literary program for Friday afternoon.

There was quite a number of rooters out at the basket ball game last Friday afternoon.

Miss Sybil Autry was absent from school last Friday, but was able to return to school Monday.

The party at the Escue home last Saturday night was spent most enjoyably in games and music on the phonograph.

PLEASANT VALLEY VAPORIZINGS

Fred Hawkins has moved to the place where Mr. Burnett lived last year.

Robert Ball is going back to Texas soon, we learn.

R. R. Jones started a fire in his pummies one evening last week and got his stack lot on fire and came near getting burned out of home.

Miss Magnolia Ward visited Miss Mildred McDorman last Sunday.

Burl Erwin got a sticker in his hand and it is about to run into blood poison.

Health conditions are very much improved in our community. Little Lemeul McRorey has been sick but is better now.

In spite of the weather last Friday night, we had a fine crowd out at our literary society, and hope they will come again on February 3, when we will give another program. On Feb. 24 we hope to give an entertainment for Washington's birthday with a view to raising funds to erect a mill over our well so we can have a real Arbor Day and plant trees and flowers on our grounds. Let everybody help us boost this occasion. We might let the candidates speak for us then. It would be a fine time for some patriotic speeches.

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13-11-p Advertisement

"LIBERAL PARTY" NOW COMING UP; OF INTEREST TO POLITICIANS

New Mexico politicians, both Republican and Democratic, will be interested in the announcement of the "Committee of Forty-Eight" with headquarters in New York, to hold a national conference soon to form a "Liberal Party" and make its voice heard at the coming fall elections throughout the country.

Declaring that "the failure of the Republican party to meet any of the real problems that touch the lives and happiness of us all bids fair to exceed in its catastrophic effects the similar failure of the Democratic party," the Committee of 48 functioning as the Liberal Party announces its determination to contest a large number of congressional districts this fall "to get a nucleus of representatives to hold the more liberal elements in congress to a substantial measure of immediate reform."

The committee has J. A. Hopkins, of New York, as its executive chairman. In a circular discussing the situation it is declared that "we have seen last March, the continuance and spread of the worst industrial depression that this generation has known."

It is charged that all classes of producers have suffered from an autocratic mismanagement of our banks.

It is also alleged that the present administration has adopted a tariff policy "which bids fair to multiply intolerably our economic distress. For the tariff bill proposes to raise such a wall against foreign products as finds no precedent even in the Republican annals; its effect must be to raise the prices by protecting domestic monopolies from foreign competition, and to keep our trade at its present low ebb, while our factories rust in costly idleness, and the men who on the battlefield and in the shop bore the brunt of war face starvation in our parks and on our streets for lack of an opportunity to earn an honest living."

The platform of the new "Liberal Party":

"Our purpose is the abolition of privilege, meaning by privilege the unjust economic advantage by possession of which a small group controls our natural resources, transportation, industry and credit, stifles competition, prevents equal opportunity of development for all, and thus dictates the conditions under which we live.

"To accomplish this we advocate:

"Public control of natural resources by taxation of all land values, including land containing coal, oil, natural gas, mineral deposits, large water powers, and large commercial timber tracts, in order to prevent monopoly and speculation, to aid industry, and to force idle lands into use.

"Public ownership of railroads, canals and pipe lines, including all necessary means of communication in order to give the same service to all users.

"Equal rights, economic, legal and political for all citizens, and all Civil Rights, including Free

AGENTS CAPTURE SEVERAL STILL IN BOOZE RAIDS

Prohibition agents have just returned from Roswell, where they conducted a series of raids, making several arrests and seizing a quantity of liquor of various kinds. One still was captured in the course of the raids, and another was captured by agents at Gallup.

The first still was found in the possession of Charles Irvin, at his home in Roswell. In addition to the still the officers seized two barrels of apricot brandy mash, a quantity of whiskey and some wine.

Irvin was arraigned before United States Commissioner Dan C. Savage of Roswell and pleaded guilty to the charge of illegal possession of liquor. His bond was set at \$1,000, in default of which he was remanded to jail. His trial will be held in March at Santa Fe.

Mrs. Rabela, also of Roswell, was arrested by the agents after they had found a quantity of liquor in the rooming house and dance hall conducted by her. She pleaded guilty to the charge of possession when arranged before the United States Commissioner, and her bond fixed at \$500.

Roswell is now a most unhealthy place for bootleggers, according to the prohibition agents, who give the credit for the clean-up to Sheriff Peck of Chaves county and Chief of Police Carl Gordon. The latter was formerly a member of the prohibition force here. A few months ago the agents state, liquor was sold freely in Roswell, but this condition has been changed so that it is now one of the driest towns in the state.

Agents also returned yesterday from Gallup, where a still was found in the home of Frank Vargas. In addition to the five gallon still, 100 gallons of mash and a quantity of whiskey were seized. Vargas was arrested, and later released on a \$1,000 bond.—Albuquerque Journal.

LOCAL MARKETS

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Eggs, per doz. 25c
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DEMOCRATIC IN POLITICS

Mr. Voter, if you are a good citizen you will keep posted as to who is running for office and the best way to do this is to read the Portales Valley News.

Last Saturday was candidates' day in Portales. Candidates were as thick as flies in June, and in all they are a creditable bunch of men, and it will be some trouble to make a choice between them.

Many farmers of the Portales Valley as well as other sections of Roosevelt county are seriously considering the feeding of livestock. Silos will be built, or rather dug, and feed crushers and cutters will be installed, thus shipping baby beef instead of range steers.

The Portales Valley News wants the news from every corner of the county. If there is anything of interest in your section, send it in. You will do your community no injury by sending us the school news as well as the neighborhood news.

New subscriptions to the Portales Valley News continue to come in. A number of subscriptions are expiring and the list is being revised each week. Watch the date on your paper and see that you do not miss an issue. Many articles of importance will appear in the next month or so.

A Fort Sumner merchant advertises 25 per cent reduction on Christmas presents. This should be good news to the buyer. The young man who is contemplating making his lady love a present has eleven months in which to make up his mind, and save the 25 per cent—unless the sale is called off.

Fortunate indeed is Henry Ford in that he can publish his magazine without fear of his advertising patronage. This is a clean, wholesome weekly, free from advertising, in which an able corps of writers discuss the topics of the day in a sane and safe way.

1922 progress is just what you will make it. The citizenship of the Portales Valley can make this the greatest year ever known in the valley. The continued dry spell is a good time to push the advantages of the irrigated district around Portales. With shallow water, crop failures are unknown, and hundreds of people have their eyes turned this way. It is up to you whether the valley is developed or not.

To all appearances the coming campaign is being taken more seriously by the candidates than by the voters of the county. At the meeting of the Executive Committee last Saturday only five were present. If this state of affairs continue, you need not be surprised if the republicans elect an entire state and county ticket this fall.

The vision of the eagle is wide, as from its lofty heights it looks down and chooses what it likes, and by this same vision it is enabled to avoid danger. The tar-pain crawls and has a very short vision, and while in the quest of food is crushed by the wheels of progress. Don't be a tar-pain, keep posted and take the wide view of the eagle on national and state affairs.

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)

J. C. (JOE) WALTERS, (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 Co. School Superintendent:

R. A. PALM (for re-election)

JOHN W. WILLIAMSON, (of Richland)

For Probate Judge:

A. J. GOODWIN, (for re-election)

For Co. Commissioner, Pre. No. 1:

C. R. LANGSTON, (for re-election)

For Co. Commissioner, Pre. No. 2:

GEO. T. LITTLEFIELD, (of Kenna, for Re-election)

For Commissioner, Pre. No. 3:

B. W. KINSOLVING, (Star Route, Elida)

A number of articles by Edward G. Lowery, a writer of national fame, will appear in this paper in the next few weeks. These articles alone are well worth the price of the paper. If you have a neighbor who does not read the News, you are doing him an injury by not suggesting that he subscribe. Never in the history of the United States was it so important that he people as a whole inform themselves as to national and state issues.

According to R. G. Dun & Co. there were 19,652 business failures in America in 1921, quite a formidable list of fatalities. But there were 2,000,000 firms doing business in this country last year, so the percentage of failures is only 1 in 100. Lots of business men thought themselves in the midst of a financial cyclone in 1921 when it proves to have been only a good stiff breeze, strong enough only to knock down the weak trees in the business forest. Albuquerque Herald.

Some breeders register every animal that is eligible, whether it comes up to the standard of the breeds as an individual or not. If an individual looks as if the progeny sired or damed by it will not benefit the breed, it should not be registered. The sires, however, should be graded more carefully than the females, because the sire has a greater amount of influence on the increase.

JOHN W. WILLIAMSON FOR COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT

In this issue appears the announcement of John W. Williamson of Richland, for the office of County Superintendent of Public Schools.

He is a graduate of the University of Texas and is an experienced teacher. He taught for a number of years in the country schools of Texas, and also in the High schools Hillsboro, Victoria and McKinney.

He will have a further announcement in an early issue of this paper.

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WHY YOU'RE INTERESTED

I wish you would take what is written here as a personal report addressed directly to you from me about your business. Don't think of it or read it as an article about "politics," or remote public affairs at Washington. It is not that at all. It is what I ask you to think, if a personal business report to you relating to your individual concerns, your pocketbook and your welfare. I have no other interest than to tell you the exact truth.

Assume that you have sent me to Washington to find out for you what your agents are doing, how they are managing your affairs and spending your money. I call them your agents for that is all they are—the President, the members of the cabinet, the senators and all the members of the house of representatives. You hire them, you pay them, and you can fire them.

You may think of them in deference and awe as a group of eminent statesmen, or you may call them in flippancy and too hasty contempt "a lot of politicians." But whatever you call them, they are your hired men. They attend to your collective business, which is called the public business.

Perhaps the largest item in the high cost of living is the high cost of government. And far and away the largest item in the high cost of government is the high cost of armament; preparation for war. About 90 per cent of all government revenues, and that means the money taken from you as taxes, goes to pay for wars, past, present and future.

Before I have concluded this series of articles I expect to show you conclusively that the impelling motive that induced President Harding to call the present conference in Washington to consider limitation of armaments was financial. The pressing need of considering a proposal for a reduction or limitation by agreement of war expenditure was not made entirely on the ground of morality or righteousness, but as a plan for cutting down the operating expenses of the government.

If the United States government were an individual we would say that it was broke, for its expenses exceed its income. Your interest is simply this: that whatever decision is made you will have to pay the bill. If today we didn't have these army and navy expenses you would have to pay in taxes less than \$1,000,000,000 a year instead of \$6,000,000,000. That means we would have about \$4,000,000,000 more a year to spend on our private needs and pleasures. I frankly confess that I would enjoy having four-fifths of my taxes knocked off. Wouldn't you?

Secretary Weeks of the War department gave public warning a little while ago that the government would require of us about \$17,000,000,000 in the next thirty months to meet current expenses and other obligations. Persons who have given close study to that possibility say that the need will be nearer \$20,000,000,000 than \$17,000,000,000. The great bulk of that is for past and prospective war expenditures.

For this, you and congress and the Executive departments at Washington are responsible. You more than anybody else, for it is your money that is being spent and you can stop it. In its simplest terms the procedure is this: You earn the money, congress takes it away from you in the form of taxes, and then congress and the Executive departments spend it.

A great part of it is wasted. This is established, conceded, confessed, and acknowledged by congress, which authorizes the expenditures, and by the executive officers of the government, who do the actual spending. It is your money that you have earned in your business, on your farm, or by the labor of your hands, that is being expended and wasted at Washington. Every cent that is extravagantly or needlessly expended by the government you could have in your pocket to meet the increased cost of food, lodging and clothing, doctors' bills and amusements, or to put away and save against a rainy day. If you only demanded determinedly and unitedly that governmental extravagance should cease.

I can tell you some of the conditions of governmental spending and how your money is chucked about, and I can tell you how you can stop it. The power is yours, and until you exercise it waste and extravagance will not stop.

Man Must Have Mustache. To be without a mustache is a disgrace in many parts of North or High Albania. The Albanian mother tells her child stories in which, unlike our stage melodrama, it always is the hairiest man who figures as the villain.—National Geographic Society

Some Aspects of the Farmers' Problems By BERNARD M. BARUCH (Reprinted from Atlantic Monthly)

The whole rural world is in a ferment of unrest, and there is an unparalleled volume and intensity of determined, if not angry, protest, and an ominous swarming of occupational conferences, interest groupings, political movements and propaganda. Such a turmoil cannot but arrest our attention. Indeed, it demands our careful study and examination. It is not likely that six million aloof and ruggedly independent men have come together and banded themselves into active unions, societies, farm bureaus, and so forth, for no sufficient cause.

Investigation of the subject conclusively proves that, while there is much overstatement of grievances and misconception of remedies, the farmers are right in complaining of wrongs long endured, and right in holding that it is feasible to relieve their ills with benefit to the rest of the community. This being the case of an industry that contributes, in the raw material form alone, about one-third of the national annual wealth production and is the means of livelihood of about 40 per cent of the population, it is obvious that the subject is one of grave concern. Not only do the farmers make up one-half of the nation, but the well-being of the other half depends upon them.

So long as we have nations, a wise political economy will aim at a large degree of national self-sufficiency and self-containment. Rome fell when the food supply was too far removed from the belly. Like her, we shall destroy our own agriculture and extend our sources of food distantly and precariously, if we do not see to it that our farmers are well and fairly paid for their services. The farm gives the nation men as well as food. Cities derive their vitality and are forever renewed from the country, but an impoverished countryside exports intelligence and retains unintelligence. Only the lower grades of mentality and character will remain on, or seek, the farm, unless agriculture is capable of being pursued with contentment and adequate compensation. Hence, to smother and impoverish the farmer is to dry up and contaminate the vital sources of the nation.

The war showed convincingly how dependent the nation is on the full productivity of the farms. Despite herculean efforts, agricultural production kept only a few weeks or months ahead of consumption, and that only by increasing the acreage of certain staple crops at the cost of reducing that of others. We ought not to forget that lesson when we ponder on the farmer's problems. They are truly common problems, and there should be no attempt to deal with them as if they were purely selfish demands of a clear-cut group, antagonistic to the rest of the community. Rather should we consider agriculture in the light of broad national policy, just as we consider oil, coal, steel, dye-stuffs, and so forth, as sinews of national strength. Our growing population and a higher standard of living demand increasing food supplies, and more wool, cotton, hides, and the rest. With the disappearance of free or cheap fertile land, additional acreage and increased yields can come only from costly effort. This we need not expect from an impoverished or unhappy rural population.

It will not do to take a narrow view of the rural discontent, or to appraise it from the standpoint of yesterday. This is peculiarly an age of flux and change and new deals. Because a thing always has been so no longer means that it is righteous, or always shall be so. Merely, perhaps, than ever before, there is a widespread feeling that all human relations can be improved by taking thought, and that it is not becoming for the reasoning animal to leave his destiny largely to chance and natural incidence.

Prudent and orderly adjustment of production and distribution is accorded high consumption is recognized as wise management in every business but that of farming. Yet, I venture to say, there is no other industry in which it is so important to the public—the city-dweller—that production should be sure, steady, and increasing, and that distribution should be in proportion to the need. The unorganized farmers naturally act blindly and impulsively and, in consequence, surfeit and death, accompanied by disconcerting price-variations harass the consumer. One year potatoes rot in the fields because of excess production, and there is a scarcity of the things that have been displaced to make way for the expansion of the potato acreage; next year the punished farmers man their fields on some other crop, and potatoes enter the class of luxuries; and so on.

Agriculture is the greatest and fundamentally the most important of our American industries. The cities, are but the branches of the tree of national life, the roots of which go deeply into the lands. We all flourish or decline with the farmer. So, when we of the cities read of the present universal distress of the farmers, of a slump of six billion dollars in the farm value of their crops in a single year

of their inability to meet mortgages or to pay current bills, and how, seeking relief from their ills, they are planning to form pools, inaugurate farmers' strikes, and demand legislation abolishing grain exchanges, private cattle markets, and the like, we ought not hastily to brand them as economic heretics and highwaymen, and hurl at them the charge of being seekers of special privilege. Rather, we should ask if their trouble is not ours, and see what can be done to improve the situation. Purely from self-interest, if for no higher motive, we should help them. All of us want to get back reasonably to "normalcy," but is it reasonable to hope for that condition unless our greatest and most basic industry can be put on a sound and solid permanent foundation? The farmers are not entitled to special privileges; but are they not right in demanding that they be placed on an equal footing with the buyers of their products and with other industries?

Let us, then, consider some of the farmer's grievances, and see how far they are real. In doing so, we should remember that, while there have been, and still are, instances of purposeful abuse, the subject should not be approached with any general imputation to existing distributive agencies of deliberately intentional oppression, but rather with the conception that the marketing of farm products has not been modernized.

An ancient evil, and a persistent one, is the undergrading of farm products, with the result that what the farmers sell as of one quality is resold as of a higher. That this sort of chicanery should persist on any important scale in these days of business integrity would seem almost incredible, but there is much evidence that it does so persist. Even as I write, the newspapers announce the suspension of several firms from the New York Produce Exchange for exporting to Germany as No. 2 wheat a whole shipload of grossly inferior wheat mixed with oats, chaff and the like.

Another evil is that of inaccurate weighing of farm products, which, it is charged, is sometimes a matter of dishonest intention and sometimes of protective policy on the part of the local buyer, who fears that he may "weigh out" more than he "weighs in." A greater grievance is that at present the field farmer has little or no control over the time and conditions

of marketing his products, with the result that he is often underpaid for his products and usually overcharged for marketing service. The difference between what the farmer receives and what the consumer pays often exceeds all possibility of justification. To cite a single illustration. Last year, according to figures attested by the railways and the growers, Georgia watermelon-raisers received on the average 7.5 cents for a melon, the railroads got 12.7 cents for carrying it to Baltimore and the consumer paid one dollar, leaving 79.8 cents for the service of marketing and its risks, as against 20.2 cents for growing and transporting. The hard annals of farm-life are replete with such commentaries on the crudeness of present practices.

Nature prescribes that the farmer's "goods" must be finished within two or three months of the year, while financial and storage limitations generally compel him to sell them at the same time. As a rule, other industries are in a continuous process of finishing goods for the markets; they distribute as they produce, and they can curtail production without too great injury to themselves or the community; but if the farmer restricts his output, it is with disastrous consequences, both to himself and to the community.

The average farmer is busy with production for the major part of the year, and has nothing to sell. The bulk of his output comes on the market at once. Because of lack of storage facilities and of financial support, the farmer cannot carry his goods through the year and dispose of them as they are currently needed. In the great majority of cases, farmers have to contract storage—in warehouses and elevators—and the financial carrying of their products to other parts of the country.

Farm products are generally marketed at a time when there is a congestion of both transportation and finance—when cars and money are scarce. The outcome, in many instances, is that the farmers not only sell under pressure, and therefore at a disadvantage, but are compelled to take further reductions in net returns, in order to meet the charges for the service of storing, transporting, financing, and ultimate marketing—which charges they claim, are often excessive, bear heavily on both consumer and producer, and are under the control of those performing the services. It is true that they are relieved of the risks of a changing market by selling at once; but they are quite willing to take the unfavorable chance, if the favorable one also is theirs and they can retain for themselves a part of the service charges that are uniform, in good years and bad, with high prices and low.

While, in the main, the farmer must sell, regardless of market conditions, at the time of the maturity of crops, he cannot suspend production in toto. He must go on producing if he is to go on living, and if the world is to exist. The most he can do is to curtail production a little or alter its form, and that—because he is in the dark as to the probable demand for his goods—

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Dr. and Mrs. Entertained. On Wednesday Rhoda Johns Mary West, party of five, three-course Dr. and Mrs. ston, of Liver were laid at table for Dr. Mrs. David Minn., Mrs. and son, Keel Mrs. Carl M. Miss Helen, after dinner fully spent chat and read Helen Mueller. The Christ tained a num at the Chris backwards p evening. In weather there present. Th their clothes the back d ments were e ating games there was an and a readin and a solo b Surprise Pa Grant and Fr Last Mond a surprise p new home of and family e. The weath day but by d to arrive. others came and in cars one hundred many games music and sp ted by all. The ladies which were Mrs. Grant, to be very o and young. Many pre ents were e All voted th time and ex they might sbon. As the ho all departed years of h home and day. BE PLEASE (Siloam Sp and Be pleas within your that is one o you ever m Just think would take made it plee ger who sho The trou folks grow lots of oth to be looke This is a start a new building ga anything ab it is someth This vi borhoods ju and your the complim Besides th ter you hav whether it i about someb why not k good all th easy! Try the S then. The there is ple TODD FOU OF SE MU CLOVIS, who was in murder in t nection with E. Roy, Toc St. Vrain, N found guilt second degr Todd was brother-in-l a short co school matte disclosed th listed betwe Todd was age. Both We want the News of per pound, overalls or

SOCIETY

Dr. and Mrs. Livingston Entertained

On Wednesday evening Mrs. Rhoda Johnson and sister, Miss Mary West, entertained a company of friends at a six o'clock three-course dinner in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Livingston, of Livermore, Iowa. Places were laid at a daintily arranged table for Dr. and Mrs. Livingston, Mrs. David Eustes of St. Paul, Minn., Mrs. Hubert Livingston and son, Kenneth, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Mueller and daughter, Miss Helen, all of Portales. The after dinner hours were delightfully spent with music, social chat and readings given by Miss Helen Mueller.

The Christian Endeavor entertained a number of young people at the Christian church with a backwards party last Thursday evening. In spite of the cold weather there were fifty people present. The guests came with their clothes on backwards, thru the back door. First refreshments were served. Some interesting games followed, and last there was an interesting program consisting of a topsy-turvy chorus and a reading by Miss Hamilton, and a solo by Mrs. Reasoner.

Surprise Party for Mr. and Mrs. Grant and Family

Last Monday evening, Jan. 23, a surprise party was held at the new home of Mr. and Mrs. Grant and family at Mt. Vernon.

The weather had been cold all day but by dark the guests began to arrive. Some walked, while others came on horses, in wagons and in cars. There were near one hundred persons present, and many games were played. The music and speeches were appreciated by all.

The ladies had brought cakes which were served with coffee by Mrs. Grant which was pronounced to be very delicious by both old and young.

Many pretty and useful presents were given to the Grants. All voted that they had a nice time and expressed the wish that they might have another there soon.

As the hour was growing late all departed, wishing them many years of happiness in their new home and many returns of the day.

—One Who Was There.

BE PLEASANT TO THE STRANGER

(Siloam Springs, (Ark.) Herald and Democrat.)

Be pleasant to the stranger within your gates. Lots of times that is one of the best investments you ever made.

Just think what a boom a town would take if everybody, in it made it pleasant for every stranger who showed up.

The trouble is that so many folks grow careless in this as in lots of other things that ought to be looked after.

This is a mighty good time to start a new policy in the town-building game by never saying anything about your town unless it is something good.

This will work in the neighborhoods just as well as in towns, and your neighbor will return the compliment.

Besides that, you feel mean after you have done a mean trick whether it is saying mean things about somebody or otherwise. So why not keep pleasant and do good all the time when it is so easy!

Try the Sunshine route awhile then. The tax is off now and there is plenty of room aboard.

TODD FOUND GUILTY OF SECOND DEGREE MURDER AT CLOVIS

CLOVIS, Jan. 19.—James Todd who was indicted on a charge of murder in the first degree, in connection with the killing of James E. Roy, Todd's brother-in-law, at St. Vrain, November 23, 1921, was found guilty of murder in the second degree here yesterday.

Todd was said to have shot his brother-in-law in the back after a short conversation relative to school matters. The evidence also disclosed that an old grudge existed between the men.

Todd was about fifty years of age. Both men had families.

We want clean, cotton rags at the News office. Will pay 8 cents per pound. Bring them in. No overalls or duckings accepted.

LOCAL PERSONALS

W. O. Oldham left Tuesday for Lubbock and Dallas, Texas.

Langdon Gregg of Clovis was in town on business Tuesday.

A. L. Dickey of Clovis was in town Monday.

J. W. Traylor of Elida was in town Tuesday.

Commissioner C. S. Toler came in from the ranch Tuesday.

Sold my library, please return my book—Bascam Howard. Itc

T. P. Crume of Kenna was in town on business today.

Will Coleman was up from Kenna today.

H. D. Snow of Elida was a business visitor Wednesday.

Mrs. W. Krattli is reported on the sick list this week.

Superintendent R. A. Palm is suffering from an attack of La Grippe this week.

A. A. Beeman and E. L. McBryde of Elida were Portales visitors Wednesday.

Sheriff Jess McCormack has been in St. Louis on business for the past week.

Treasurer J. R. Shock is now busy receiving taxes for the year 1921.

W. T. Palm, superintendent of the Kenna schools was in town last Saturday.

W. R. Uxer of Richland was in town Monday and paid the News office a pleasant call.

Mrs. J. L. Teague and daughter of Kenna were shopping in Portales last Saturday.

Miss Rosielee Littlefield of Kenna was visiting friends in Portales last Saturday.

Commissioner G. T. Littlefield of Kenna was transacting business in Portales last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Taylor were in from Pleasant Valley last Saturday, returning Sunday.

A. L. Williamson of Richland was transacting business in Portales today.

The grand jury for Roosevelt county will convene on Monday, February 6th.

L. M. Carmichael of Kenna is in town today attending the meeting of the County Board of Education.

Editor White of the Kenna Record came up last Saturday to attend the Democratic executive committee meeting.

Joe Beasley has made several trips out in the rural sections in the past week in the interest of his candidacy for sheriff.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist church are in an all-day session at the home of Mrs. A. G. Kenyon today.

Earl Stratton came in from Clovis today to attend the meeting of the county board of education.

Justice Hugh Roberts was up from Elida last Saturday attending the meeting of the Democratic Executive committee.

Assessor Jack Pipkin, who is out looking after the assessment of Roosevelt county taxes, spent Sunday with homefolks.

Mrs. Lizzi Burroughs moved into her new bungalow on the Kenyon section this week and has rented her place southeast of town.

County Agent Will made a trip to Claudell last Friday in the interest of broom corn growing in that part of the county. Mr. Will says that his trip was not a failure, and anticipated a good average of broom corn in that neighborhood the coming season.

Wednesday put on the appearance of a spring day, and caused a number of town farmers to begin garden plans.

Mrs. Fessie Hill, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Byrd, returned to her home at Pecos, Texas, the first of the week.

The Christian Endeavor will meet at 6 o'clock Sunday at the Christian church. Mrs. Reasoner will lead. You are cordially invited to come.

Preston Williams of Richland was up last Saturday looking after his political fences, and pressing his claims for the sheriff's nomination.

District Attorney C. M. Compton and Assistant J. C. Compton returned from Clovis Wednesday, where they have been attending the district court.

S. M. Williams, one of the substantial farmers of the Lingo neighborhood was in town today and paid the News office a pleasant call.

Dave Eustace left Friday for his home in Fargo, North Dakota. Mrs. Eustace will remain for a visit of a few weeks with her father, "Uncle Tommy" Livingston.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. May were Clovis visitors Sunday. They took Mrs. May's mother, Mrs. Anderson to the train Sunday morning to leave for Arizona to spend the winter with relatives.

C. C. Davis was in from the New Hope community last Saturday interviewing the voters in regard to his candidacy for sheriff. Uncle Clayton Baktr came along as body guard.

The demand for Tanlac has broken all world's records. Over Twenty Million bottles have been sold since it was placed on the market six years ago. Portales Drug Store. Advertisement-1tc

Mrs. J. E. Henderson was in Clovis last Saturday and Sunday attending the bedside of her sister, Mrs. J. A. Saylor, who has been very ill for the past three weeks.

B. W. Kinsolving was up from Elida last Saturday attending the Democratic meeting, and also interviewing the voters as to his candidacy for County Commissioner.

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Last Sunday was a splendid day with the various activities of the Methodist church. Fine Sunday school, splendid and attentive congregation at the morning worship, two good league sessions, Junior in the afternoon and Intermediate at six, and a splendid evening crowd to worship. Two additions to the church.

Expect a good time next Sunday. Be there at ten o'clock sharp for Sunday school. What do you think of the Sunday school work? Don't you think it one of the most important movements of the Twentieth Century? If you believe that why not come and help to make the Sunday Schools of Portales the biggest and best possible? Do not stay away because you think it is a children's affair for it is not. The modern Sunday school is for every age and station in life. There is a class for everybody at the Methodist church.

Next Sunday's services will be as follows: Sunday school at ten o'clock, Prof. Krattli, supt. Morning worship at eleven, subject, "The Freedom of the City." Evening worship at seven, subject, "Three Buildings That Are Needed in Portales."

JAMES J. RICHARDS, Pastor.

BAPTIST CHURCH

We had a fine day with good congregations at both hours last Sunday. Someone said to me this week: "I will be there next Sunday. I always feel like I miss something when I am not there," and that is the way we should feel. Come next Sunday and enjoy our services with many others. Special music at both hours.

J. F. NIX, Pastor.

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The Girl a Horse and a Dog

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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 \$400,000, 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 pinto 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 will, Stanford meets from 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, Angleton, to Placerville, Broughton senses, as a construction car and escapes, leaving the impression on the town marshal, Hensley, that he is slightly demented.

CHAPTER V.—Pursued, he abandons the car, which is wrecked, and escapes on foot. In the darkness he is overtaken by a girl on horseback, and the dog. After he explains his excuse to her, she invites him to her home, at the Old Cinnabar mine, to meet her father.

CHAPTER VI.—Broughton's hosts are Hiram Twombly, caretaker of the mine, and his daughter Jeanie. Seeing the girl, Stanford is satisfied he has located his property, but does not reveal his identity.

CHAPTER VII.—Next morning, with Hiram, he visits the mine. Hiram asks him to look over the machinery, and he does so, glad of an excuse to be near Jeanie, in whom he has become interested, and he engages in the first real work he has ever done.

CHAPTER VIII.

The Laboring Pumps.

On the third day after I had tried to brain myself in the old boiler I was pretty nearly as good as ever, and my two Good Samaritans reluctantly consented to my going back to work, Jeanie renewing the bandage on my broken head, and laying many injunctions upon Daddy Hiram to send me right back to the cabin if I didn't behave; "behaving" in her use of the word, meaning that I was to take it easy on the job.

That sounded mighty good to me, the way she said it. Most men, I fancy, are only overgrown children in the sense that they like to be fussed over by their womankind. Don't mistake me, please; I wasn't in love with her—then. Candidly, I don't think I knew what a real love was. But it was mighty pleasant to live in the same house with her, and to eat her delicious cooking; to be with her every day, and to have those undisturbed evening half-hours with her in front of the fire. If I had had to get out; or if there had been another man . . . but I won't anticipate.

In due time and after we had completely overhauled the rusted and gummed-up machinery, Daddy and I happened upon a day when we were ready to put fire under the boilers and we did it. If I should live to be a hundred years old, I shall never forget the tense, suppressed excitement that gripped me as we brought the wood for the furnaces that bright, hot, July morning. By eight o'clock we had ninety pounds of steam pressure on the boilers, but we held off until it had climbed to the regular working pressure of one hundred and twenty. Then I started the pumps; two big centrifugal suction, mounted on a platform in the shaft mouth and so arranged that they could be lowered to follow the water level down—if it should go down; pumps that each threw a stream six inches in diameter.

After the pumps were started and the indicators showed, or seemed to show, that they were working up to full capacity, I rigged up a measuring gauge; a bit of wood for a float, with a string tied to it, and the string passing over a pulley in the shafthouse roof-beaming with a weight on the end of it. If the water level should go down, the float would sink with it, pulling the weight up. A smooth board, with feet, inches and fractions penciled on it, was stood up beside the weight to answer for a measuring scale.

At the end of the hour the float hadn't moved a hair's breadth; not a hundredth part of an inch, so far as we could see.

"I don't believe the pumps are working," I exploded. "Surely they'd make some little difference in the level unless that shaft's got all the underground water in the world to back it up. Those indicators must be out of whack in some way. Where does the discharge water empty itself?"

Daddy knew this, too.

"Over in the left-hand gutch—into the creek."

"Show me," I directed.

We found the discharge from the

pumps a little way below the end of the path; a ten-inch pipe which had been laid underground from the shaft-house, presumably to keep it from freezing in winter. The end of the pipe stuck out over the stream and it was projecting pretty nearly a solid ten-inch jet of water. The pumps were working all right; there was no doubt about that. I dug up enough of my college math to figure that two six-inch streams would just about fill a ten-inch pipe, and here it was, running full and pouring like another torrent into the gulch. So back we went to the mine buildings to pile more wood into the furnaces and to resume our watching of the indicator and its pencil-marked scale.

Noon caught up with us after a while—with nothing doing save that we were rapidly diminishing our woodpile. For a solid week we chopped down trees and split them up, Daddy and I, and kept the fires roaring under the boilers and kept those monster pumps whirring and grinding away at the shaft mouth—night and day, mind you; watch on and watch off. And, right straight through it all, that little indicator weight I had rigged up stood stock still; never moved the width of one of the pencil marks I had drawn on its gauge board.

By this time my stubbornness was yielding something to the still more stubborn fact. If all this pumping hadn't even started the flood toward its diminution, truly all the waters under the earth must be backing the unfalling well of that drowned shaft.

Toward the last I think we kept on more from force of habit than anything else, but at the end of the week I gave in and consented to let the fires die down, though it was like pulling teeth to do it. Something, indeed, I brought out of the overtime work, disappointing as it had been in the major sense; I was muscled up as hard as a keg of nails; as strong as a mule, and the fierce toll of wood-chopping and boiler-firing had given me an appetite for real work that fairly made me ache when I thought of stopping. We thrashed it out that evening, the three of us before the living room fire, after Daddy and I had finally stopped the pumps and let the steam run down.

"I reckon you hadn't no call to take it so hard, Stannie," Daddy said, after I had growled and groused like a bear with a sore head over our failure. "After all, you must recollect that it ain't no skin off 'm you if the

Old Cinnabar stays right where she is and soaks till kingdom come."

"No skin off of me?" I yelled, with a sort of wild laugh. "Listen—both of you," and then I told them the entire heart-breaking story of Cousin Percy's letter and my grandfather's joke; of my starting out on the fantastic search for the girl, a horse and a dog—a search which would doubtless have failed before it had fairly begun if I hadn't happened to ride in a Pullman smoker with the man, Charles Bullerton.

I remembered afterward that I had got just that far—to the naming of Bullerton—when Barney, the pie-faced colle, got up from his corner of the hearth, stalked to the door and began to growl. The next minute we heard a horse's sh-r-r, and Daddy Hiram rose, pushed the dog aside and opened the door. Then Jeanie and I, still sitting before the fire, heard his cry gruffly: "Well, hello, Charley Bullerton! What in Sam Hill are you doin' up in this neck o' woods?"

I turned to look at Jeanie—and missed. In the moment when I had glanced aside she had vanished.

When Bullerton came in, which was after Daddy Hiram had lighted the lantern and shown him where to put his horse, he didn't seem half as much surprised to find me sitting before the Twombly house fire as I thought he might have been.

"Well, well—look who's here!" he bantered. "How are you, Broughton? This old world isn't so infernally big as it might be, after all, is it? Who would have thought that our next meeting would be in such an out-of-the-way corner of the universe as this! I hope you've been well and chipper, all these weeks."

I said what I was obliged to, and wasn't any too confoundedly cordial about it, either, I guess.

Bullerton drew up a chair and began to talk, much as if we'd invited him to

about his hard-working year in South America; about the fabulously rich mines in that far-away Utopia of the gold-diggers; about his voyage up from the Isthmus; about the oddness of his meeting me on the train, combined with the more exasperating oddness of his meeting me again, here in the Eastern Timonyons; things like that.

He was just comfortably surging along in the swing of it when a door opened behind us and he jumped up with another "Well, well, look who's here!" and when I turned, he was holding Jeanie's two hands in his and braying over her like a wild ass of the plains. And, if you'll believe me, that girl had gone and changed her dress! That is what she went to do when she slipped out and left me to stare at her empty chair, after she had heard her father say, "Well, hello, Charley Bullerton!"

It was all off with me from that time on. For what was left of the evening, Bullerton played a solo. I got full-up on the performance about nine o'clock, and climbed my ladder and went to bed, snuffing my head in the blankets so that I wouldn't have to lie there and listen to the bagpipe drone of Bullerton's voice in the room below.

I hoped—without the least shadow of reason for the hope, of course—that the next morning would show me a hole in the atmosphere in the space that Bullerton had occupied. But there was no such luck. He was present at the breakfast table, as large as life and twice as talkative.

I made my escape from the cabin as soon as I could and tramped over to the mine. A glance into the shaft showed the black pool in its depths as placid and untroubled as if we hadn't just lifted a million or so cubic feet of water out of it by hard labor.

In morose discouragement I recalled the few things I had learned about drowned mines while I was knocking about in the Cripple Creek district trying to trace Bullerton. Particular-

ly I remembered my talk with Hilton, the man who had finally put me upon what had proved to be the right track in the tracing job. He had talked quite freely. Sometimes the flood was only the tapping of an underground stream, as when one digs a well; in other cases—and these were most common in the Cripple Creek region—the source of the flood would be found in a buried lake or reservoir, large or not so large, as the luck might have it. If the source were a lake—so Hilton had said—there was little use in trying to pump the mine dry.

Mulling over these discouraging bits of information, I was naturally led back to the Pullman smoking-room talk with Bullerton. I remembered, with a sharp little flick of the memory whip, that he had given an expert opinion, which, as it seemed, he had backed up a year earlier with a thousand dollars of real money—the deposit in the Omaha bank made to cover my grandfather's bargain binder. What he had said was, "I'm reasonably certain that I discovered a way in which that mine can be drained at comparatively small expense."

Had he really discovered a way?—and with no better data than a study of the maps? Staring down at the black pool which Daddy and I hadn't been able to lower by so much as a fraction of an inch in his pumping, I doubted it.

I was stumbling out toward the engine room with my head down and my hands in my pockets when I heard footsteps coming from the direction of the cabin beyond the dump. Looking out, I saw Bullerton sauntering over toward the shaft-house. Though I knew that some sort of a wrangle with him was inevitable, I was perfectly willing to postpone it, so I edged into the blacksmith shop and sat down on the anvil, hoping he might miss me and go away. But there was nothing coming to me on that bet.

"I saw your lead when you left the house," he began, after he had found me and had dusted off an empty dynamite box for a seat. "Don't you think you've played it rather low down on me?"

"How so?"

"By taking in my story of this mine when I told it to you without giving me a hint that you were the person most deeply interested—since my old gentleman was your grandfather."

"It didn't strike me that way, and it doesn't yet. I shot back. 'I notice you were mighty careful not to tell me the name of your old gentleman—or rather, I should say, you lied about it when I wired you.'"

"An ordinary business precaution," he chuckled. "But we needn't waste our time bickering over what might have been—and wasn't. I have a contract with your grandfather which is legally binding upon you as his heir to this particular piece of property—always provided you can prove that you are his heir. What I'm here to say is that I'm ready to carry out my part of the contract; to unwear this mine. What do you say?"

"How are you going to do it?"

"That, my young friend, is particularly my own affair."

I felt pretty scrappy that morning; there is no use in denying it.

"You're not the only pebble on the beach, Bullerton," I said, looking him squarely in the eye. "What you can do with this mine, another mining engineer can do quite as well; and the other man will probably be willing to do it without asking the fenced-in earth for his reward."

"Humph!" he grunted; "so that's your play, is it?" Then, after a scowling pause: "You're licked before you begin. You're fighting without ammunition, Broughton. You haven't any money, and you'll look a long time before you'll find an engineer able to

finance his own experiment on your drowned proposition."

"That may be," I retorted. "But if you told me the story straight that night in the Pullman, you can't turn



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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	Name and Location	Date
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NOTICE

To the Taxpayers of Roosevelt County: In accordance with Chapter 101, Sec. 1, Laws of 1919, of the State of New Mexico, notice is hereby given that the tax roll or assessment book for the year 1921 for the County of Roosevelt, was delivered to me the undersigned County Treasurer on the 18th day of January, 1922, A. D.

You are further notified that any taxpayer alleging error in his assessment must file his complaint or petition for the correction of same as required by law, within six months from the above date, said petition or complaint must be filed with the District Attorney.

No complaint or petitions can be filed after six months.

J. R. SHOCK, County Treasurer.

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 Reel, 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 court in the Town of Portales, New Mexico, 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.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO,

To Cornelia Fitch, Mary Hulse, all unknown heirs and all unknown devisees of Cornelia Fitch and Mary Hulse, 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 Honch and Henry Roach are plaintiffs, and you, the said Cornelia Fitch and Mary Hulse, all unknown heirs and all unknown devisees of Cornelia Fitch and Mary Hulse, and all unknown claimants and owners of the premises are defendants, said cause being numbered 1733 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 Honch and Henry Roach are the adult children and only children of Virginia P. 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 Hulse 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 that partition 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 plead or 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 the complaint.

You are further notified that George L. Reese is attorney for the plaintiff 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—H.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Fort Sumner, N. M., January 9, 1922.

Notice is hereby given that M. B. Jones, guardian of Nora Cooley, Doyal Cooley, Ione Cooley, Ruby Cooley and W. H. Cooley Jr., minor children of Nannie Lee Cooley, deceased, of Portales, New Mexico, who on October 1st, 1918, made original homestead entry No. 017252 for S½NW¼, S½NE¼, SE¼ Sec. 7, T. 2 N. R. 30 E., and on May 21, 1918, made additional H. E. 017253 for S½S¼ Sec. 6, N½N¼ Section 7, township 2 N., range 30 E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three years proof to establish claim to the land above described before A. J. Goodwin, Probate Judge, in his office at Portales, N. M., on the 23rd day of February, 1922.

Claimant names as witnesses: Fred G. Forrest, H. C. Scruggs, Ham S. Douthitt, A. F. Bates, all of Tolar, N. M. W. R. McGILL, Register. J. 19—F.16

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. 1922.

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

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 SW¼ 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. 1922.

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

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

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

Notice is hereby given that Thomas A. Williams, of Lingo, New Mexico, who, on June 26th, 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. Bilbery, 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, Register. Dec. 23—Jan. 20.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico, January 20, 1922. Notice is hereby given that Willie Corder of Lingo, New Mexico, who, on June 18th, 1918, made homestead entry No. 043711, for S½SE¼ Sec. 4; N½SW¼; E½; NW¼ Section 9, 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, at Portales, New Mexico, on March 3, 1922. Claimant names as witnesses: Jim H. Bilbery, H. D. King, James W. Foster, Toliver J. Corder, all of Lingo, New Mexico. EMMETT PATTON, Register. Jan. 26—Feb. 23

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(SEAL) S. N. HANCOCK, Town Recorder. Jan. 5—26

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SOME ASPECTS OF THE FARMERS' PROBLEM

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may be only to jump from the frying pan into the fire, taking the consumer with him.

Even the dairy farmers, whose output is not seasonal, complain that they find themselves at a disadvantage in the marketing of their production, especially raw milk, because of the high costs of distribution, which they must ultimately bear.

III

Now that the farmers are stirring, thinking, and uniting as never before to eradicate these inequalities, they are subjected to stern economic lectures, and are met with the accusation that they are demanding, and are the recipients of, special privileges. Let us see what privileges the government has conferred on the farmers. Much has been made of Section 6 of the Clayton Anti-Trust Act, which purported to permit them to combine with immunity, under certain conditions. Admitting that, nominally, this exemption was in the nature of a special privilege, though I think it was so in appearance rather than in fact, we find that the courts have nullified it by judicial interpretation. Why should not the farmers be permitted to accomplish by co-operative methods what other businesses are already doing by co-operation in the form of incorporation? If it be proper for men to form, by fusion of existing corporations or otherwise, a corporation that controls the entire production of a commodity, or a large part of it, why is it not proper for a group of farmers to unite for the marketing of their common products, either in one or in several selling agencies? Why should it be right for a hundred thousand corporate shareholders to direct 25 or 30 or 40 per cent of an industry, and wrong for a hundred thousand co-operative farmers to control a no larger proportion of the wheat crop, or cotton, or any other product?

The Department of Agriculture is often spoken of as a special concession to the farmers, but in its commercial results, it is of as much benefit to the buyers and consumers of agricultural products as to the producers, or even more. I do not suppose that anyone opposes the benefits that the farmers derive from the educational and research work of the department, or the help that it gives them in working out improved cultural methods and practices, in developing better yielding varieties through breeding and selection, in introducing new varieties from remote parts of the world and adapting them to our climate and economic condition, and in devising practical measures for the elimination or control of dangerous and destructive animal and plant diseases, insect pests, and the like. All these things manifestly tend to stimulate and enlarge production, and their general beneficial effects are obvious.

It is complained that, whereas the law restricts Federal Reserve banks to three months' time for commercial paper, the farmer is allowed six months on his notes. This is not a special privilege, but merely such a recognition of business conditions as makes it possible for country banks to do business with country people. The crop farmer has only one turnover a year, while the merchant and manufacturer have many. Incidental to this is the fact that the Federal Reserve banks just authorized the Federal Reserve banks to discount export paper for a period of six months, to conform to the nature of the business.

The Farm Loan banks are pointed to as an instance of special government favor for farmers. Are they not rather the outcome of laudable efforts to equalize rural and urban conditions? And about all the government does there is to help set up an administrative organization and lend a little credit at the start. Eventually the farmers will provide all the capital and carry all the liabilities themselves. It is true that Farm Loan bonds are tax exempt; but so are bonds of municipal light and traction plants, and new housing is to be exempt from taxation, in New York, for ten years.

On the other hand, the farmer reads of plans for municipal housing projects that run into the billions, of hundreds of millions annually spent on the merchant marine; he reads that the railroads are being favored with increased rates and virtual guarantees of earnings by the government, with the result to him of an increased toll on all that he sells and all that he buys. He hears of many manifestations of governmental concern for particular industries and interests. Regarding the railroads from insolvency is undoubtedly for the benefit of the country as a whole, but what can be of more general benefit than encouragement of ample production of the material necessities of life and their sale from contented producers to satisfied consumers?

While it may be conceded that special governmental aid may be necessary in the general interest, we must all agree that it is difficult to see why agriculture and the production and distribution of farm products are not accorded the same opportunities that are provided for other businesses; especially as the enjoyment by the farmer of such opportunities would appear to be even more contributory to the general good than in the case of other industries. The spirit of American democracy is unalterably opposed, it is to be feared, to special privilege and to the special privileges of unequal opportunity that arises automatically from the failure to correct glaring economic inequalities. I am opposed to the injection of government into business, but I do believe that it is an essential function of democratic gov-

ernment to equalize opportunity so far as it is within its power to do so, whether by the repeal of archaic statutes or the enactment of modern ones. If the anti-trust laws keep the farmers from endeavoring scientifically to integrate their industry with other industries and a way to meet modern conditions without violating such statutes, then it would seem reasonable to find a way for the farmers to meet them under the same conditions. The law should operate equally in fact. Repairing the economic structure on one side is no injustice to the other side, which is in good repair.

We have traveled a long way from the old conception of government as merely a defensive and policing agency; and regulative, corrective, or equalizing legislation, which apparently is of a special nature, is often of the most general beneficial consequences. Even the First Congress passed a tariff act that was avowedly for the protection of manufacturers; but a protective tariff always has been defended as a means of promoting the general good through a particular approach; and the statute books are filled with acts for the benefit of shipping, commerce, and labor.

IV

Now, what is the farmer asking? Without trying to catalogue the remedial measures that have been suggested in his behalf, the principal proposals that bear directly on the improvement of his distributing and marketing relations may be summarized as follows:

First: storage warehouses for cotton, wool, and tobacco, and elevators for grain, of sufficient capacity to meet the maximum demand on them at the peak of the marketing period. The farmer thinks that either private capital must furnish these facilities, or the state must erect and own the elevators and warehouses.

Second: weighing and grading of agricultural products, and certification thereof, to be done by impartial and disinterested public inspectors (this is already accomplished to some extent by the federal licensing of weighers and graders), to eliminate undergrading, overcharging, and unfair grading, and to facilitate the utilization of the stored products on the basis of credit.

Third: a certainty of credit sufficient to enable the marketing of products in an orderly manner.

Fourth: the Department of Agriculture should collect, tabulate, summarize, and regularly and frequently publish and distribute to the farmers, full information from all the markets of the world, so that they shall be as well informed of their selling position as buyers now are of their buying position.

Fifth: freedom to integrate the business of agriculture by means of consolidated selling agencies, co-ordinating and co-operating in such way as to put the farmer on an equal footing with the large buyers of his products, and with commercial relations in other industries.

When a business requires specialized talents, it has to buy it. So will the farmers; and perhaps the best way for them to get it would be to utilize some of the present machinery of the largest established agencies dealing in farm products. Of course, if he wishes, the farmer may go further and engage in flour-milling and other manufactures of food products. In my opinion, however, he would be wise to stop short of that. Public interest may be opposed to all great aggregations; but, in justice, should they be forbidden to the farmer and permitted to others? The corporate form of association cannot now be wholly adapted to his objects and conditions. The looser co-operative form seems more generally suitable. Therefore, he wishes to be free, if he finds it desirable and feasible, to resort to co-operation with his fellows and neighbors, without running afoul of the law. To urge that the farmers should have the same liberty to consolidate and co-ordinate their peculiar economic functions, which other industries in their fields enjoy, is not, however, to concede that any business integration should have legislative sanction to exercise monopolistic power. The American people are as firmly opposed to industrial as to political autocracy, whether attempted by rural or by urban industry.

For lack of united effort the farmers as a whole are still marketing their crops by antiquated methods, or by no methods at all, but they are surrounded by a business world that has been modernized to the last minute and is tirelessly striving for efficiency. This efficiency is due in large measure to big business, to united business, to integrated business. The farmers now seek the benefits of such largeness, union and integration.

The American farmer is a modern of the moderns in the use of labor saving machinery, and he has made vast strides in recent years in scientific tillage and efficient farm management, but as a business in contact with other businesses agriculture is a "one horse show" in competition with high power automobiles. The American farmer is the greatest and most intractable of individualists. While industrial production and all phases of the huge commercial mechanism and its myriad accessories have articulated and co-ordinated themselves all the way from natural raw materials to retail sales, the business of agriculture has gone on in much the one man fashion of the backwoods of the first part of the nineteenth century, when the farmer was self sufficient and did not depend upon, or care very much, what the great world was doing. The result is that the agricultural group is almost as much at a disadvantage in dealing with other economic groups as the jay farmer of the funny pages in the hands of sleek urban confidence men, who sell him acreage in Central Park or the Chicago city hall. The leaders of the farmers thoroughly understand this,

and they are intelligently striving to integrate their industry so that it will be on an equal footing with other businesses.

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A grade sire should not be used, although he may have the markings and conformation of a purebred, says the Animal Husbandry specialist of the N. M. Agricultural College. These is lack of consistency in the characters given to the young, because he does not have a pure line of breeding on both his sire's and dam's sides to draw from; consequently, a large percentage of poor individuals are bound to be thrown. A pure-bred sire, if a good one, is blessed with the inheritance of constructive breeding that has been carried on for generations and his progeny will conform largely to his type.

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A great day is planned for the Christian church next Lord's day. It is to be Every-Member-Present Day. It is not often that the average church has its entire resident membership at any given service, but let us make this an exception. Begin with the Bible school arriving a trifle before

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NORRIS J. REASONER, Minister.

SAYS COUNTY, CITY OFFICIALS SHOULD GO GET BOOTLEGGERS

Local officials ought to take the lead in the enforcement of the prohibition laws, especially in this state where we have a prohibition law that's much more stringent than the federal act," declared Attorney General Harry S. Bowman today.

Bowman was asked if he had seen Roswell Farley's statement as head of the Anti-Saloon League for the southwest and Mexico with headquarters near Estancia, that city and county officials did not enforce prohibition.

"Mr. Farley should not have to call their attention to that," he commented.

The attorney general then turned to the New Mexico "bone dry" law, as it was heralded when passed by the legislature.

"It evidently was their purpose to make New Mexico dry or they never would have passed that law as they did," he said. "That fact ought to be an inspiration

and urge, it seems to me, to local officials to enforce the law.

"The law prohibits the importation of any beverage for any purpose whatsoever—except sacramental. Liquors such as whiskey, beer and wine cannot be imported for medicinal use; alcohol may be."

The attorney general then pointed out if the attorney general were given supervisory authority over district attorneys, as suggested by State Senator E. R. Wright Republican leader in the senate, and former Attorney General Frank W. Clancy, he could bring about the enforcement of the "bone dry" act.

The suggested plan would give the attorney general the power over the district prosecutors, similar to that held by United States Attorney General Daugherty over the federal district attorneys, and make his office head of a state

department of justice.

"I think the idea suggested by Mr. Wright and Mr. Clancy a wise one and it probably would result in more uniform enforcement of the law," said Bowman.

"So far as my investigations go New Mexico is the only state in the Union that doesn't give the attorney general supervisory authority. I haven't looked into all states, however. Some states go as far as to give the attorney general the power to remove prosecuting attorneys who do not enforce the law."

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