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Production of Oil Field in 1926 1,700,000 Barrels of Oil

Above Estimate Does Not Include Oil Used for Fuel—Production Comes from 200 Wells in Field —Much Drilling for 1927.

The completion of the Eaton well on the Fred Brainard permit in the quarter of sec. 5-18-27 has again proved that the productive area in the Artesia field has not been completely defined. Drilled to a total depth of 2132 feet the well showed about four barrels, this coming from a hard packed sandy lime. It was back a shot of forty quarts of water and ran from 1820-80 and two hundred quarts from 1896-1902 feet. During itself the well started flowing heads, the initial production was estimated at close to two hundred barrels. A pumping test made on Monday and Wednesday was good around 120 barrels, the well coming off at the rate of forty barrels on the last test. It was put on production today and every indication should be one of the best producers in the field.

The Brainard permit consists of the quarter of sec. 29; E 1/2 of sec. 30; E 1/2 of sec. 31; sec. 33, twp. 17, Rge. 27, range 5 and E 1/2 of sec. 6, twp. range 27, Eddy county. The Mayo Oil Co. Wednesday spudded their No. 1 in the NE 1/4 of the quarter of sec. 32-17-27, this being a location made by B. F. Van E. P. Rainey.

On the west side of the field the more shallow wells, their production now being considered one of the best pieces of production in this area. Drilled to 439 feet the No. 2 State in sec. 2-18-27 was shot with thirty quarts and is good for eight barrels. The No. 1 Wright in same section is today drilling in the pay at 1620 feet and will probably be shot Friday.

On the north end of the Artesia field the Navajo Oil Co. is preparing to shoot their No. 2 in sec. 33-27 and on its completion will move to their third location. Flynn, Welch & Yates have made a location on the No. 4 Dunn permit in the quarter of sec. 10-18-28.

In the Maljamar pool the No. 1 rate well late Wednesday made three flows after some of the muck had been bailed from the hole. Drilling has been resumed, the well being connected with a 1000 barrel tank. The total depth of the well is 3810 feet.

In sec. 5-17-32 the crew are still working for the broken stem which has delayed operations for the past three weeks. A special tool is now being made that is expected will recover the piece of stem.

No late news has been received from the Ohio well on the Wm. Mitchell permit in sec. 18-17-32, the rig having been shut down for the past several days. A report that a small amount of water had been encountered under the oil is believed to be mere street gossip.

The Prairie Oil & Gas have set 226 feet of 10-inch in their No. 1 well and will carry an 8-inch hole (Continued on last page, column 1)

OIL ASSOCIATION WILL BUILD LARGE MODEL OF SOUTHWEST AREA

A "peg model" of southeastern New Mexico and a part of western Texas is being made by The New Mexico Oil Men's Association to be placed in their office in the Ragsdale building for the convenience of its members and visiting scouts, geologists, land men and operators. The size of the model will be fourteen feet long, four feet wide and five feet high and will cover an area extending from north of the Artesia field in a southwesterly direction taking in the Maljamar pool, the Pecos area and the Crane-Upton and Big Lake fields. Models of close to 100 wells will be made, these showing the various formations, height above sea level and other interesting data from which the probable trend and production can be worked out. The making of this model is in accordance with the policy of the association who continue to maintain their information bureau from which accurate information is disseminated.

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TEN CAUGHT IN BOOZE RAID HERE DURING THE CHRISTMAS WEEK

Sixty-six half pints of whiskey, two quarts of whiskey and ten arrests were the net results of a Christmas raid by officers Miller Ammon and M. Stevenson. Because the owners were deprived of their possession before much of it was used, none were very happy and Christmas passed on in the usual manner.

Because no cases were docketed at the police court so far as we know, the names of the participants are being withheld from publication.

ARTESIA BASKETBALL TEAMS MEET DEFEAT AT CARLSBAD THURSDAY

Bulldogs Lose by Score of 8 to 4—Artesia Girls Drop Hard Fought Game By a Score of 20 to 11— Hope Teams Lead.

Both of the Artesia high school basketball teams met defeat Thursday evening at Carlsbad when they met the Carlsbad girls and boys teams. This was the first defeat chalked up against the Bulldogs this season and by reason of Carlsbad's victory, places about three valley teams on equal footing so far as the valley championship is concerned.

Both games were unusually fast and close, with neither team having a chance to win until the close of the game. Both games were played strongly defensive, which accounts for the low score.

The girls game resulted in a 2-2 tie at the end of the first quarter. Artesia defense weakened in the next quarter and the Carlsbad girls registered five baskets in the second quarter, while Artesia could ring but one basket and the half was ended 12 to 4 for Carlsbad. Carlsbad's goal thrower, Ruth Nichols, was too much for the locals. Artesia, however, tightened in the third quarter and made a count of three while Carlsbad made four and evened the last quarter score to each, which gave Carlsbad a 20 to 11 victory.

The first quarter of the boys game was even closer, Artesia registered a single count on a foul throw. In the second quarter, Carlsbad run the basket for a count of two, which ended the half two to one in favor of the Cavemen. Thus far the long end of the score apparently belonged to the team getting the breaks.

Both teams resorted to long passes at the beginning of the second half, but the long throws were unsuccessful. In the third quarter the Carlsbad boys made two goals, they missed several shots at fairly close range, due to the heavy guard maintained by Artesia. The locals made their only field goal in this quarter. They also made a count on a free throw and the score stood four to six in favor of Carlsbad.

Artesia lost the chance for the game when they failed on two goal throws and Carlsbad made one, thus ending the game in the last quarter by a four to eight score.

FORMER ATHLETIC COACH MARRIES

Harry Chambless, former coach of the Artesia high school stopped off in Artesia yesterday en route home from El Paso. From all reports it appears that Mr. Chambless has taken unto himself a wife. The wedding occurred Christmas day at Hot Springs. Mrs. Chambless is with him on his return trip.

POULTRY SHOW AT ROSWELL

Arrangements have been made to stage the annual poultry show under the auspices of the farm bureau at Roswell on January 6, 7, and 8. The premium lists have been announced and it is expected that the exhibit at Roswell in January will eclipse any poultry show ever held in the valley. Much interest is being manifested in the coming event and many entries have already been made.

SHIPS ALFALFA HAY

The Artesia Alfalfa Growers Association last week shipped out five cars of hay. This week five cars have already been loaded out and the Association expects to ship out fifteen more before the close of the week. The local hay market remains steady with little change in price. Choice hay is bringing \$17.00 per ton, grade No. 1, \$15.00 per ton, Standard \$13.00 per ton and grade No. 2, \$10.00 per ton.

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"Ships that Pass in the Night"



EDDY CO. OFFICIALS WILL BE INDUCTED TO OFFICE ON NEW YEARS

Along with the other changes which the new year will convey, it will also bring new faces into the Eddy county official family at Carlsbad. While the inaugural ceremonies are underway for the governor at Santa Fe, the new officers chosen in the primary last spring will take the oath of office and assume their duties for the next two years. Two of the present officials will have served their allotted time of four years and will be ready to retire to private life, G. W. Shepherd, the present county clerk and E. S. Shattuck, present sheriff. Mr. Shepherd was a former resident of this vicinity before entering the clerks office. He has made a fine record as county clerk and has the best wishes of a host of friends that will go with him to his future occupation, which has not been announced yet so far as we know. Mr. Shattuck, it is understood will devote his time to his ranching interests after the first of the year.

G. W. Brown, of Carlsbad, will also retire after two years of service as county commissioner. Mr. Brown has proved his value in matters of county affairs and has served his district well. He will be succeeded by Marvin Livingston, also of Carlsbad. Mr. Livingston is familiar with many of the county affairs and is regarded as a splendid commissioner.

Four other incumbents, R. H. Westaway, R. E. Armstrong, D. G. Grantham and Mrs. Wilma Dillard will enter upon their duties for the second term January 1st, 1927. Mr. Westaway, the present assessor has made good and has worked at his job in a conscientious manner, although the discharge of his duties has not lead him through a bed of roses, he has given his best efforts to his position. "Jumbo" Armstrong as he is familiarly known took up the duties of the treasurer's office at a time when the office had no (Continued on last page, column 2)

PUBLIC SALE

Messrs. Dave Hill and Oscar Montgomery have arranged to hold a public sale on the Dave Hill place in the Cottonwood community, eight miles north and four miles west from Artesia, on Thursday, January 6th. The sale begins at 9:30. Lunch will be served by the Cottonwood P. T. A.

THE COTTON MARKET

Middling cotton is bringing around 13 cents this week on the local market. Most of the recent picking, however, is grading low and ranges under 12 cents. About 1500 bales remain to be gathered in this territory, according to recent estimates.

PETITIONS FOR POSTOFFICE

A petition has been framed and is now being circulated, asking the U. S. Post Office Department to establish a post office at the new town of Maljamar in Lea county. As soon as sufficient signers have been obtained the petition will be forwarded to the proper authorities and it is hoped that a favorable action will be obtained at an early date.

TWO HOPE BOYS HURT WHEN DYNAMITE CAP EXPLODES IN POCKET

Two young sons of Ira Welty, a farmer living in the Hope community, had a narrow escape from serious injury when a dynamite cap exploded. Details of the accident are meager, but it is reported to have occurred near Christmas day. The two boys were near a stove in the living room of the Welty home. One of the boys had a dynamite cap either in his vest or shirt pocket and the cap had become warm. It was about this time that his brother struck the cap in the pocket, causing it to explode. The explosion is said to have injured both of the boys, but the escape with slight injury is regarded as very fortunate.

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OSCAR MONTGOMERY MAKES BOND FRIDAY IN THE SUM OF \$8,000

A complaint against Oscar Montgomery, charging him with intent to kill in connection with the shooting of Oscar Pearson, Thursday, has been filed in the Chaves county district court at Roswell. Bond in the sum of \$8000.00 was set by Judge C. R. Brice for Montgomery's appearance in Roswell on April 11, 1927. The bond which was set Friday was signed by Oscar Montgomery, H. A. Price, C. P. Wilburn and J. B. Runyan.

AN EIGHT INCH SNOW FALLS OVER SECTION TEMPERATURE DROPS

Biggest Snow Here Since December, 1923—Mercury Drops to Four Degrees Above Zero—Snow Heav- iest Along River.

Those of us who enjoy a white Christmas were not disappointed this year, as Artesia appears to have been the center of the biggest snow fall of the season. The flakes began falling Christmas eve and continued practically uninterrupted throughout the day and up in the night. When the residents awoke on Christmas morning the ground was blanketed in snow.

Friday's snow was the greatest amount since December 1923, when twelve and a half inches of snow fell here a few days before Christmas, according to a comparative report submitted by Weather Observer R. W. Bruce, who is stationed at the high school building. Friday's fall totaled eight inches. To the east of town near the river the snow fall appears to have been heavier and was probably two or three inches more than that measured by the government instrument on the high school hill. The fall was also lighter north and south of here, both Carlsbad and Roswell report two to four inches less than the Artesia community.

Following Friday's snow a sharp drop in the temperature was recorded here. Saturday morning the government thermometer registered four above, the coldest temperature to be recorded here this winter. However, there is about two degrees variation between the temperature in town and that on the hill where the government thermometer is located, explains Mr. Bruce and this probably accounts for the fact that many weather instruments in town registered a lower temperature than his own.

A comparative report for the coldest weather to occur in the month of December since 1921 is submitted by Mr. Bruce and the thermometer readings follow:

- December 1921, 10 degrees above.
- December 1922, 15 degrees above.
- December 1923 3 degrees above*
- December 1924, 0.
- December 1925, 6 degrees above.
- December 1926, 4 degrees above.
- *Twelve and one half inches of snow fell here in December 1923 as compared with eight inches in December 1926.

FARMERS INTERESTED IN GROWING BROOM CORN

A number of farmers of this community are investigating the possibilities of broom corn as a paying crop for this section and will likely plant the corn another year. Broom corn is said to be grown with success in the Portales country and there is no reason to believe that it should not be grown here with profit. Broom corn also offers another opportunity to diversify.

QUAIL SUPPER POSTPONED

Owing to inclement weather, members of the Artesia Game Protective Association were unable to stage the quail supper, which was to be given Monday night. The banquet will be given next Monday evening, however, chicken instead of quail will be served.

STORES WILL CLOSE ON NEW YEARS DAY

All of the stores in Artesia will be closed on New Years day, it is understood. If you have any shopping to do, you are advised to do it before Saturday.

The process of invoicing is underway in practically all of the business houses and will likely be completed on New Years day.

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Governor's Palace Scene Of Inaugural Ball Jan. 1st

Will Form the Culminating Ceremony Inducting the New Governor Into the State's Highest Office— Big Inaugural Doings.

SANTA FE, Dec. 29.—The ancient Palace of the Governors will form an appropriate and beautiful setting on New Year's night for the most brilliant state function in New Mexico's history, the inaugural ball which forms the culminating feature of the ceremonies of inducting Richard C. Dillon, of Encino, into office as governor of New Mexico.

The ball proper will be held on the spacious floor of the National Guard Armory, but the main entrance will be through the portal of the old palace, and comfortable lounging rooms, smoking rooms and cloak rooms will be provided in the building. Refreshments will be served by the Santa Fe Woman's Board of Trade in the adjoining library building, and the three buildings, connected by covered runways, will thus be made one for the occasion.

There is no doubt that the attendance will be the largest ever known, according to Chairman Arthur Seligman of the executive committee. The inaugural committee, consisting of dozens of representative Santa Fe men and women of all political faiths, stresses the fact that the launching of the new state government is in every respect a non-partisan ceremony, and that Santa Fe on this biennial occasion acts as host to all the people of New Mexico. Governor and Mrs. Hannett, social favorites in Santa Fe, occupy equally with the incoming governor and his lady the position of honor at the grand ball. Decorations, music, refreshments, and appointments will be on a lavish scale, and it will be a gala night in Old Santa Fe. The railroads have offered a rate of a fare and a third for the round trip and hundreds will avail themselves of it all over the state.

TURKEY YIELDS GOLD PIECE

J. O. Richards was exhibiting a well worn gold piece in the streets, Friday, reported to have been found in a rather unusual place. You can easily see by the following story why Mr. Richards thinks Santa was especially good to him this Christmas. Toward the latter part of the week he purchased a turkey from Wilson and Anderson. It was just an ordinary turkey from all appearances, but when he took the turkey home and it was dressed, a well worn gold piece was found in its craw. The species of gold bears evidence of much wear and is about the size of a \$2.50 gold piece, although it is thought to have been of the \$5.00 denomination originally.

MUDDY ROADS

The road leading south from Lake-wood into Carlsbad is reported passable but in a very rough condition since the snow Friday. Travelers declare that this stretch of road is in the worst shape it has been for several months.

SANITARY BARBER SHOP IS PURCHASED BY TRUITT AND BOREN

Messrs. J. L. Truett and John Boren have recently purchased the Sanitary Barber Shop from the present owner Tom Teal and will assume charge on the first of the year. Both Messrs. Truett and Boren have been employed in the Cunningham Barber shop for the past several months. Mr. Truett has been a resident of Artesia for a number of years and enjoys a wide acquaintance in the community.

Mr. Teal, the former proprietor of the Sanitary Barber Shop will remove with his family to the northern part of the state where he will look after his ranching interests, it is understood.

Mrs. Boren, who has operated the Vogue Beauty Shop in the Cunningham building, will occupy the former quarters of the Singer Sewing Machine Shop, the first door east of the Sanitary Barber. Mrs. Boren expects to be ready for business on or before the first of the year in her new quarters.

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TELEPHONE NO. 7

If they will just let Ma Ferguson remain as governor of Texas a little longer, the problem of caring for prisoners in the penitentiary will be eliminated. Christmas eve she is reported to have granted Christmas pardons to eighty-six, bringing the total since her inaugural to 2900.

NO MORE CONGRESSMEN

House leaders of the present Congress have agreed that there will not be an increase of the 435 members under any reapportionment scheme that may be broached this winter. That abnormal number was reached in the opportunity of 1911, and it is very probable that it will stand until after the 1930 census, when something will have to be done to redistribute and equalize the Congressional representation throughout the country.

LOOK BEFORE YOU LEAP

At the opening of the holiday season, we received a display ad from an orange farm at LaGrange, Texas, advertising fresh, sweet oranges at \$3.00 per box express charges prepaid. We declined the copy because we did not know whether the firm was reliable and because we did not think the proposition exactly fair to the local merchant. We wrote the firm and stated that we could not accept advertising of this kind and now comes the amusing part. Our letter was evidently mistaken for an advertising statement and was returned to us unopened, marked "refused."

This firm may be perfectly honest in their intentions, but our relations with them leads us to believe otherwise. We have a suspicion that the would be customer who took a chance on their integrity and sent his \$3.00 is out of luck. Likewise newspapers that accepted the advertisement and there were many of them, are in the same boat.

It has been our experience that the fellow who is looking for something cheap has little difficulty in finding what he wants. The unfortunate part of it is that it often costs him more in the long run than the better class of merchandise stocked by the local merchants.

THANKS TO THE OIL OPERATOR


When you reflect on the prosperity that the wild cat oil operator has brought to this section, don't forget that he's responsible for the opening up of another possibility, which in the course of time may even overshadow the efforts to uncover the mother oil pool. The story of the discovery of potash in Eddy county is incidental to the oil operations. And thus we find that the oil man is a pioneer in more than one field.

The discovery of potash isn't recent so far as days are concerned, although one might draw this conclusion from reading the press dispatches. The findings just now coming to light have been known several months, but not to the general public.

The fact that potash and potash mining is a new industry for the nation partly accounts for the slow progress which has been made along the efforts of development. And there may be a long wait ahead yet.

Just what direction the development will take is of course yet in the future, notwithstanding the fact that it is a generally accepted opinion that Eddy county has plenty of potash to mine. The method to be used in the mining of the new mineral has never been established and it is generally thought that local conditions may govern the method, after probably numerous experiments.

The two known methods are simple; one is to sink a shaft to the bed and bring out the mineral, similar to the manner in which coal is



The Man for Me

by O. Lawrence Hawthorne

I don't think much of the man who waits
For opportunity to call,
The chap who falters and hesitates—
His chances for success are small;
For while he frets and condemns his luck
And tries to prove that times are bad,
Somebody else with heroic pluck
Has won the prize he might have had.

I don't think much of the man who lets
His circumstances change his mind.
I'm not surprised that a drifter gets
Discouraged when he falls behind.
For never yet has a race been won
Without a purpose and a will;
No deed worth doing is ever done
Without tenacity and skill.

Give me the man who has fixed a goal,
Who knows just what he wants to do—
A fellow working with heart and soul
To put a forceful program through!
My hat is off to a man of might
No matter what his name may be—
A man who knows that his course is right
And undismayed puts out to sea!

mined and the other is to pump saturated water from the test hole and evaporate the water in sun vats, leaving the potash deposit.

Once the industry is established and the work of getting the mineral to the top of the ground is started, improved methods will naturally follow.

TROUBLE WITH OIL IS TO FIND IT

Gasoline is as important to motor transportation as bread is to life, because the carburetor and the stomach must be supplied with their "staff" or they won't do business.

The great trouble in oil production in past years as been in the finding of it, and authorities have declared that there has been more money lost in searching for oil than there has been made in producing it in paying quantities. The old method of the prospector was about as hazy as "looking for a needle in a haystack."

Out in the Southwest oil is being located by a new method. Seismic waves produced by the blast of a charge of explosives are recorded at a number of receiving stations by means of pendulum seismographs. When the noise is over the instrument shows a map that has recorded the intensity of the shock in the air, along the surface of the ground, and through under-ground rock, dirt, and other deposits of nature. The picture on the seismograph, particularly in sections like those in Texas and Louisiana, clearly show the boundaries of salt beneath the surface. The variations and density which are inherent in the earth's structures are definitely mapped by the seismograph, and their location is shown. The finding of oil has been so facilitated by this method that a number of important salt domes were discovered in 1924, 1925 and 1926.

Most "domes" are far beneath the ground and leave no traces on top of the earth. Dr. David White, one of the Government's greatest geologists, says that through the new seismographical methods that salt domes and anticlines are located with exact certainty.

It does not necessarily follow that every salt dome contains oil in producing quantities, but thousands of dry holes in the Southwest were put down in the hope of finding salt domes, and the further hope that these salt domes hold oil in paying quantities.

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MICKIE SAYS—

ANY IDEA OF A SWELL JOB PER A KID IS WORKIN' ROUND A NEWSPAPER SHOP. YA LEARN A LOT ABOUT MECHANICAL THINGS, AND ALSO ABOUT SPELLING AND COMPOSIN' ARTICLES, BESIDES HULL GORE OF INFORMATION ABOUT EVERYTHING UNDER THE SUN, AND LIKEWISE YA LEARN TO WORK. WHENEVER YOU SEE A CHANCE TO BE A "PRINTERS' DEVIL," BOYS, GRAB IT QUICK!



HOW TO KEEP ROUP OUT OF THE FLOCK

Roup, the old enemy of the poultryman, is diagnosed and prescribed for as follows by L. N. Berry of the New Mexico A. & M. College:

Symptoms: The symptoms of roup are in general those of a cold. In fact, roup and colds and probably the same disease. The first symptom usually noticed is that some of the birds are sneezing and shaking their heads, often accompanied by a rattling noise in the throat. The nostrils become closed or have considerable discharge, the face may be swollen and the swelling may develop until the eye is closed. The feathers under the wing become stuck together with the discharge from the nostrils. This comes from the bird's putting its head under its wing at night. The breath has a very offensive odor. In some cases the nostrils may not show much discharge but the disease seems to be located in the eye, causing a great deal of swelling and a cheesy exudate from the eye. In still other forms of roup, canker sores develop in the mouth and throat.

Cause: The conditions that would cause a cold will cause roup. Exposure, improper housing, drafts, dampness, poor ventilation, and overcrowded conditions are the most frequent causes. The disease is contagious and spreads rapidly.

Treatment: The flock treatment for roup consists of removing the cause. Unless this is done the flock cannot be kept free from the disease. It is very important in case roup breaks out in a flock that its cause be looked for at once and measures taken to remedy this condition.

Potassium permanganate should be put in the drinking water. This will help prevent the spreading of the disease. Put enough potassium permanganate in the water to make it a deep cherry red color.

The affected birds should be removed and if not too badly affected, they may be given individual treatment. This consists of placing them in light, dry, well ventilated quarters and irrigating their nostrils twice daily with some antiseptic solution. One of the most readily available solutions and one which often is as effective as any, is coal oil. Coal oil may be used on a feather. Dip a feather in coal oil and then with it clean out the nostrils; also apply

DORMITORY TO COST \$56,456.50

SANTA FE.—The total cost of the construction of the dormitory at the state insane asylum will amount to \$56,456.50 including work completed and estimates, according to a letter from W. S. Barnes, assistant state comptroller, released here Monday. The seventh legislature provided for an appropriation of \$65,000 for this purpose. Payments made to date amount to \$47,456.50 as against total receipts of \$55,925.13, leaving a balance of \$8,468.63 for the future work. The greatest items of expense are listed as over \$44,000 for contractors work and nearly \$1,500 for technical services.

AN ERROR

Mrs. Margaret House calls our attention to the fact that an error appeared in last week's Advocate. In giving the court procedure of the Eddy county docket, which was held in Roswell on the preceding week and was copied from the Carlsbad Current-Argus, it was erroneously stated that a divorce was granted T. W. House versus Margaret House. The original suit was filed by T. W. House and later a counter suit was filed by Mrs. House. A divorce was therefore granted Mrs. House with the consent of the defendant.

ROSWELL DEFEATS DEXTER

The Roswell high school coyotes defeated the Dexter basketball team in a fast game at Roswell, Thursday night by a score of 16 to 9.

coal oil to the groove in the roof of the mouth. Other solutions which may be used to irrigate the nostrils are potassium permanganate, Pearson's creolin, and arbyrol. The latter is especially beneficial in severe attacks.

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BRATTON HATCHERY BILL ENDORSED BY THE GAME COMMISSION

The state game commission has endorsed the Bratton fish hatchery bill, providing for a warm-water hatchery at Elephant Butte Lake.

The bill comes up for hearing before a senate committee immediately after the holiday recess, and, at the request of Senator Sam G. Bratton, who introduced the measure, Edgar Perry, executive secretary of the game commission, has sent a statement as to the need of such a hatchery to the senator to be presented to the committee.

New Mexico has made a good start toward restocking the trout streams, Mr. Perry says, having three hatcheries for this species. Two more trout hatcheries are planned.

He adds: "However, the state has another potential recreational asset of tremendous importance which it is financially unable to develop. This is a large area of warm waters, unsuited to the support of trout, but ideally adapted to basses, crappie, perch and other warm water fishes."

The area of these waters is estimated to be 89,110 acres with 95 per cent only slightly stocked or not stocked at all.

The state is financially unable to build a warm-water hatchery, says Mr. Perry, and the number of fish furnished by the federal fisheries bureau has been woefully insufficient.

It is estimated that a planting of not less than 300,000 fingerling fish a year is necessary to stock the warm waters of the state to a reasonable degree.

On the theory that a hatchery in New Mexico could be used to stock lakes in western Texas and Arizona furnishing them 200,000 a year in addition to the 300,000 needed in this state, Mr. Perry estimates the cost of such a plant at \$75,000. Mr. Perry estimates the production cost at \$22,000 and transportation at \$30,000. He then points out that it would cost \$18,000 a year to transport 300,000 fingerlings into the state from the outside.

Mr. Perry says: "The prosperity of the state and the further expansion of its usefulness to mankind lies largely in the development of its recreational resources, chief among which are its hunting and fishing. Recreational areas are nationwide in importance, since the thinly populated states must be relied upon largely to provide the playgrounds for the regions of dense population, and co-operation in the development of recreational facilities is therefore, a justifiable function of the national government. This particularly in view of the fact that the small taxable wealth is a natural corollary of small population and thinly inhabited regions are thus unable to raise funds for extensive development."

IS THERE ANOTHER LIFE?

The Artesia Methodist Church begins the New Year with a series of sermons by the pastor on the age-long question: "If a man die, shall he live again?" The dates and subject are as follows: 11:00 a. m.—January 2nd, "Why the Study?" Text: "Think on these things." January 9th, "Value of the Belief." "Every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself." January 16th, "An Instinctive Belief." "Thou openest thine hand and satisfieth the desire of every living thing." January 23rd, "Demanded by Arrested Development." "I shall be satisfied when I awake in thy likeness." January 30th, "Necessitated by God's Nature." "God created man in his own image." February 6th, "Provided for in man's dual nature." "God formed man out of the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life." February 13th, "Taught in Reason, nature and revelation." "What further need have we of witnesses?" February 20th, "The Life Beyond." "Behold, there talked with Him two men, which were Moses and Elias, who appeared in glory." February 27th, "Living for the future." "I will come again and receive you unto myself." The membership is expected and the general public is invited.

TWELVE PARDONS FROM LEAVENWORTH

Twelve prisoners from the Leavenworth penitentiary were granted pardons by the federal authorities Saturday.

H. C. VAN RIPER OF KAN. WAS FOUND DEAD NEAR ROSWELL MONDAY

H. C. Van Riper, of Junction City, Kansas was accidentally shot and instantly killed Monday morning at 10 o'clock near the head of the Berrendo on the Vaughn road. The dead man was identified by means of a number of cards in his pocket and a deposit slip showing he had placed money in a bank at Junction City, Kansas, on December 17 of this year.

From all indications and surrounding circumstances there seems to be no question but that death was accidental. From the surrounding circumstances Van Riper had started to get out of his car to shoot some quacks when in some manner his shotgun was accidentally discharged, the bullet charge striking him over the heart in the left side.

Death was instantaneous as a large portion of the charge entered his heart and lungs. Local officers said that the hammer of the gun, a double barrel twelve gauge, evidently caught on the gear shift or some other portion of the car and caused it to discharge.

Sheriff Zumalt and other officers from Roswell who answered a call to the scene of the accident said that evidently Van Riper had started out of the car, pulling the gun behind him with his hand on the barrel. An inquest was ordered for a later hour Monday afternoon, although there seemed to be no doubt but it was simply a case of accidental death.

Van Riper was a man about 35 years of age and was traveling in a Chevrolet touring car, baggage in his car indicating that he was on his way to his home in Kansas. A card in his pocket read, "in case of accident notify Mary Van Riper, Junction City, Kansas."

The body was brought to this city by the Dille-Pollock-Tilton company and officers immediately communicated with Junction City, Kansas authorities advising them of the accidental shooting. Efforts to locate someone here who knew Van Riper had failed up to a late hour Monday afternoon.—Roswell Record.

HOW HE FELT

Campaign parades are the order of the day, and although many have been held, woman condescending to take to the asphalt has still an irresistible attraction for man. Recently a New York policeman made a new comment:

"Say, I'm for 'em. I seen 'em the other night in a parade walkin' fur hours carrying them heavy banners and things and smilin'. And say, if they want the vote as much as all that, to be achin' in every bone fur hours fur it, I'm goin' to help 'em to get it."

Vocal Demonstration

"I suppose you will make a thorough study of the subject on which you are to engage in debate?"

"I haven't decided," answered Senator Sorghum. "What I principally need is self-confidence and an unqualified opinion. If I get to studying too far, I may get to debating in my own mind instead of with my voice."

Modern Methods

"Crimson Gulch used to be the toughest town on the map."

"It is yet," answered Cactus Joe. "But it seems quiet and prosperous."

"It's all o' them. The difference is that when we hold up an innocent stranger we employ a realtor instead of a road agent."—Washington Star.

Limited to Art and Science

"Were matters of politics discussed on the occasion of your visits to that eminent official?"

"No," answered Senator Sorghum. "It makes life kind o' dull. When men who know all about politics meet that's the one subject they're not supposed to talk about."—Washington Star.

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JAMES WELCH, ARTESIA WINS SECOND PLACE IN NAT'L ESSAY CONTEST

Prizes for the New Mexico school children in the National Safety Essay contest were received last week by Miss Isabel L. Eckles, state school superintendent, from the Highway Education board at Washington, D. C.

The winners are:
First—Henrietta H. Mize, Albuquerque.
Second—James Welch, Artesia.
Third, Ethel Bunton, Raton.
The prizes are: First, gold medal and \$15 cash; second, silver medal and \$10; third, bronze medal and \$5.

Miss Mize's medal is to be entered for New Mexico in the national competition the results of which are to be announced later.

The prizes were given by the National Automobile chamber of commerce.



ALBERT OLSON
A close-up of Albert Olson, father of alleged slayer of Clara Olson. This photo was snapped while Olson was on the stand defending his son.

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- 1 Bay Mare, 8 years old, wt 1000
- 1 Gray Mare, 4 years old, wt 1100
- 1 Saddle Horse, 8 years old, wt 1050
- 1 Colt, 1 year old
- 2 Mules, 4 years old, wt 1050 each
- 2 Mules, 3 years old, wt 1000 each
- 1 Mule, 2 years old, wt 900
- 1 Team Mares, 8 and 9 yrs, wt 1800 each
- 1 Team Mare Mules, 5-6 yrs, wt 1000 each
- 1 Two Year Old Mare Mule
- 1 4-Year Old Mare Mule, broke, good one
- 1 Jersey Cow, age 5, fresh in March
- 1 White Face Cow, a 5, fresh, calf by side
- 1 Brindle Cow, age 4, fresh in February
- 1 Brood Sow
- 5 Fat Hogs
- 4 Sows, wt 350 to 550
- 1 Stag, wt 650
- 3 Gilts, wt 250 to 325
- 5 Fat Hogs, wt 250 to 300
- 34 Shoats, wt 90 to 200

HOUSEHOLD GOODS

- 1 Small Cook Stove
- 2 Three Burner Oil Stoves
- 1 Iron Bedstead
- 1 Three Quarter Bedstead
- 1 Bedstead and Springs
- 1 Dresser
- 1 Writing Desk
- 1 Ward Robe
- 1 Dining Table

MISCELLANEOUS

- Several Hundred Feet Barb Wire
- 200 or 300 Fence Posts
- 1 Colt's Light Plant
- 1 De Laval Cream Separator, 500 lb. cap.
- 1 30-Gallon Wash Pot
- 1 Grind Stone
- 2 Sets Harness
- 1 P. & O. Sulky Plow, 14-in, alfalfa points
- 1 Emerson Double Disc Plow
- 1 Spring Tooth Renovator
- 1 Fordson Tractor
- 2 Sets New Leather Harness
- 3 Dozen Chickens
- 1 Ann Arbor Hay Bailer, No. 20
- 1 Four Wheel Buck Rake
- 1 Two Wheel Buck Rake

- 2 Two-Section Harrows
- 1 Steel V
- 1 John Deere 5-Foot Mower
- 1 Cultivator Shovel and Disc Combination
- 1 Go-Devil
- 1 Disc Harrow
- 1 Two-Section Harrow
- 1 P. & O. Sulky Plow, 14-inch
- 1 Wood Ditch V
- 1 Five-Foot John Deere Mower
- 1 Twelve Foot John Deere Rake
- 1 Ten Foot Emerson Rake
- 1 Adermal Power Bailer
- 1 Four Wheel Buck Rake
- Two and Four Horse Eveners
- 1 8x16 Foot Land Leveler
- 1 International Seed Buncher, 6-foot

FARM IMPLEMENTS

- 1 Hay Wagon and Frame
- 1 Wagner Wagon and 5-Barrel Galv. Tank
- 2 New P. & O. Cultivators
- 1 Two-Row John Deere Planter
- 1 P. & O. Lister
- 1 Disc Cultivator
- 1 Orchard Disc
- 1 P. & O. Walking Plow

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SOCIAL ITEMS OF INTEREST IN AND AROUND ARTESIA

Social Calendar

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FRIDAY

Executive meeting of the officers of the Methodist Missionary Society at the home of Mrs. Grover Kinder at 2:30.
Evening Bridge Club at the High-tower home.

MONDAY

Meeting of the Legion Auxiliary at the home of Mrs. Lewis Story at 2:30 p. m.
Meeting of the Library Board at the library at 2:30 p. m.
Annual meeting of the Episcopal church with election of officers of both societies in the afternoon and dinner at 6 p. m.

TUESDAY

Annual party of the First Bridge Club at the Ferree home at 6 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY

Cemetery Association meets at the library at 2:30 p. m.
Meeting of the Art department of the Woman's Club at the home of Mrs. C. E. Brown at 2:30.

THURSDAY

Methodist Missionary Society to meet at the home of Mrs. I. C. Dixon at 2:30 p. m.
The Baptist Women's Missionary Union meets at the church at 2:30 p. m. Business meeting and missionary program.

CHRISTMAS DINNERS

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kissingner entertained at Christmas dinner Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gissler, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gissler, Mrs. Jake Kissingner, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Kissingner, of Borger, Texas, and Mrs. Lee Kissingner's parents and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Meadows and Miss Georgia Meadows, of Lawton, Oklahoma.

The J. M. Jackson family had their Christmas dinner at noon on Sunday at which time the sons and daughters and their families gathered under the parental roof tree for the yule-tide feast. The company included Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gissler, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jackson and baby, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Winkle and children of Mayhill, and Marvin Jackson, of Melrose, also a nephew, Paul Bugg.

The Bartlett families also celebrated Christmas with a dinner at the Ray Bartlett home at noon on Sunday. Present were Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Bartlett, Harry Bartlett, Mrs. Glenn Leonard of Fairbury, Nebraska, and Emil Bandel of Adrian, Michigan.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rogers gave a Christmas dinner to their family on Christmas day at which time, Mrs. Silas Rogers, Miss Cora Rogers and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jackson and baby were present.

At the C. M. Cole home Mr. Louis Gage, who recently returned from Arkansas, Mr. and Mrs. Glover, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Cole, and baby and S. C. Allbright helped to celebrate Christmas by participating in a big dinner.

A turkey dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Terry on Christmas day proved to be a delightful occasion. Among those enjoying the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Terry were: Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Savoie and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Weski and family, Mr. and Mrs. George Savoie, Sr., Bryant Savoie and Mrs. Agnes Wixson of El Dorado, Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Reser had a family house party for Christmas at their home north of town, nearly all relatives from a distance. There were Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Reser and little daughter, Mickey, of Wichita, Kansas, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Rowe and little son, Robin, of Amarillo, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. Lock Bibbs of El Paso, Texas, and Mr. and Mrs. Deyton Reser, of Artesia. Mr. and Mrs. Bibbs left Tuesday for their home, Mrs. Deyton Reser accompanying them for a visit. Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Reser left yesterday for Kansas. Mr. Rowe returned to Amarillo Tuesday. Mr. Reser will drive to Amarillo today to take Mrs. Rowe and little son home and will remain for a few days visit with them there.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Richards entertained at dinner at one o'clock on Christmas, their guests being Mr. and Mrs. John Gage and children, Mr. and Mrs. Howell Gage, Mrs. Snyder, Mrs. Mary Abbott, John Richards, Albert Richards and Edington Gage.

Mr. and Mrs. John Michael entertained at twelve o'clock dinner on Christmas, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lawson and little son, of the field, and Mr. Frazer Grant.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENTS

The "Star of Hope" a beautiful pageant was given by the children of the Presbyterian Sunday school last Thursday evening. Clad in quaint oriental costumes the young performers made a charming picture as they presented in a very effective way, the story of the nativity. A number of the children performed their parts very well indeed. Preceding the pageant there was a short program by the tiny folks of the primary department, which was very pleasing to the large audience, as was also the more elaborate performance of the older ones. The closing feature was put on by Santa Claus, who was a great delight to the little folks and who superintended the distribution of the treat.

SUNSHINE CLASS PARTY

The Class had a Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Landis Feather yesterday afternoon. Yule-tide decorations made a charming background for the party and the exchange of presents by the members made it a thrilling occasion. Lovely refreshments were served by the hostesses, who were besides Mrs. Feather, Mrs. Will Gray, Mrs. Calvin Dunn and Mrs. L. P. Evans.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Buckles entertained at a turkey dinner on Christmas day, their guests being Mr. and Mrs. Bob Caraway and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Stone and sons, Glenn and Cyril.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENTS

The Nazarene congregation had an interesting Christmas entertainment last Thursday evening, with a program by the Sunday school and a treat for the members.

The Christian Sunday school had a tree on Christmas eve with a Santa Claus and the usual treat, which was distributed after the program given by the younger members of the Sunday school.

The primary, junior and intermediate departments of the Sunday school participated in the program at the Baptist church on Christmas eve. There was a beautiful tree and Santa Claus appeared on time to superintend the distribution of the treat.

POISON BOOZE GARNERS TOLL OF ELEVEN IN N. Y. DURING THE HOLIDAYS

NEW YORK.—Poison Christmas liquor and excessive drinking Monday had garnered a toll here of eleven deaths, three less than last year, and seventy-three persons went to hospital for alcoholism, more than 1924 and 1925 together.

Eight of the deaths were in Manhattan and three in Brooklyn. Improperly distilled alcohol was largely responsible in the opinion of Dr. Charles Norris, chief medical examiner. Dr. Thomas A. Gonzales, assistant medical examiner, said, however, that excessive drinking rather than poisonous elements was responsible.

Dr. Norris said the bootleggers were so rushed that in re-distilling liquor known to contain poisonous substances, they would not take time to purify it properly.

Of sixty-five cases of alcoholism reported by Bellevue hospital, only fifteen were considered serious and attendants said all probably would recover. Twenty of the sixty-five were released after treatment. Included in the admitted were eight women.

Only one victim of bad liquor was reported in Chicago over the week end, but, Dr. Herman Bundesen, city health commissioner there estimated that "poison" costing upward of \$10,000,000 was distributed in that city as gifts.

Probably not more than 8 per cent of this liquor was genuine, he said, and advised that "if you drink, first take the liquor to a chemist."

In Poughkeepsie, N. Y., a railroad workman died from drinking home made liquor.

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DILLON WILL NOT MAKE FURTHER APPOINTMENTS UNTIL AFTER NEW YEAR

SANTA FE.—The announcement Monday of the appointment by Governor-elect R. C. Dillon of Miss Clara Olsen as legislative secretary, brings the appointments for the present year to a close, according to men high up in republican politics who state that the new executive will make no further appointments until some time after his inauguration on New Year's day. Important appointments that still remain to be made are those of state insurance commissioner, state and highway engineers, and the membership of the highway and other commissions.

The list of appointments to date are:

Nathan Jaffa, chief tax commissioner; George Ulrich and J. R. Aguilar, associates; James Baca, adjutant-general; Pat Dugan, penitentiary warden; John Joerns, secretary tax commission; W. W. Risdon, mine inspector; Miss Mary Bartolino and W. G. Halthusen, assistant comptrollers; Tom McGrath, deputy gas tax collector; William A. Bayer, chief clerk at the penitentiary; Charles Springer as one member of the highway commission; Charles Lamb, Jose Fernandez, J. B. Martinez, and Juan Ortiz, in the corporation commission; John V. Conway, assistant state school superintendent.

JUDGE BRICE PASSES PEN SENTENCES TO THREE IN CHAVES CO.

Three persons entered pleas of guilty before district judge Charles R. Brice Monday and received sentences to the state penitentiary. These men each pleaded guilty to charges filed in informations by the district attorney and will be taken to the state penitentiary immediately by Sheriff J. E. Zumalt.

Albert Goins and John Goins, brothers, pleaded guilty to a charge of larceny of an automobile and were sentenced to serve not less than eighteen months nor more than two years in the state penitentiary. These men were captured in Lordsburg on advice of officers after stealing a Ford coupe, the property of Bill Britt of this city.

Thomas Chaves pleaded guilty to a charge of larceny of farming implements and tools belonging to Henry Russell and was sentenced to serve from two to three years in the state prison.—Roswell Record.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our thanks to all those who so kindly assisted us in the illness, death and burial of our precious wife, daughter and sister, Dona, the many words of comfort in our said hour, also the beautiful floral offerings. May God's blessings rest upon you all.

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The following candidates submit their names to voters of precinct No. 6, for consideration at the election to be held Monday, January 10, 1927, for justice of the peace and constable.

For Constable, Precinct No. 6:—
M. STEVENSON
H. L. JONES

For Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 6:—
L. L. FEATHER

J. W. Sheridan, wife and baby, of Chickasha, Oklahoma, came to spend Christmas with Mr. Sheridan's sister, Mrs. W. H. Cobble, and family.



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A Happy New Year

Aside from my appreciation of the part you have played in my business prosperity during the past year, I wish for you a better and more prosperous New Year than in the past

My pledge anew:—my determination to be your faithful servant, and to deserve in turn your faith and friendship

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The Coming of the New Year

The old year is dying. Christmas tide always brings happiness to some and sadness to others, and so is life, checkered with good and evil; prosperity, and poverty and: In prosperity let us most carefully avoid pride, disdain, and arrogance. And again—In every pang that rends the heart. The man of sorrow had a part. Moral. be not puffed up with pride because of prosperity or fall into despair because of misfortune.

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PRELIMINARIES TO THE 1925 N. MEX. FARM CENSUS MADE

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Department of Commerce announces, subject to correction, the following preliminary figures for a number of supplementary items for the State of New Mexico, 1925 farm census, compiled since the issue of the first summary for the state on December 1, 1925. These items include farm population, kind of road, sales and purchases through farmers' cooperative organizations, radio outfits, tractors, value of implements and machinery, selected farm expenditures, farm mortgage debt, dairy products, sheep and wool, goats and chickens and eggs. Comparative figures for 1920 (or 1919) are given in places where available.

Farm Population—Total, 1925, 147,482; 1920, 161,482; white 1925, 134,618; 1920, 149,482. Colored, 1925, 12,864; 1920, 11,996. Under ten years old, 1925, 23,708; 1920, 44,193. Ten years old and over, 1925, 106,774; 1920, 117,285. Male, 1925, 57,515; 1920, 63,778. Female, 1925, 49,259; 1920, 53,475.

Kind of Road—Number of farms in state, 1925, 4,637. Roads located on—Concrete or brick road, 333; Macadam road, 66; gravel road, 2,455; improved dirt road, 5,953; unimproved dirt road, 21,827; all other and not reported, 1,953.

Goats and Chickens on Farms—Sheep (number) January 1, 1925, 743,079; 1920, 1,640,475. Goats (number) January 1, 1925, 240,067; 1920, 226,862. Chickens (number) January 1, 1925, 937,041; 1920, 713,377.

Miscellaneous Items—Value of farm implements and machinery, January 1, 1925, \$8,712,731; 1920, \$9,745,369. Farms operating radio outfits, January 1, 1925, 286. Tractors on farms, January 1, 1925, 1,080; 1920, 491.

Farm Expenditures—For feed, 1924, \$3,346,644; 1919, \$3,708,823. For fertilizer, 1924, \$8,811; 1919, 113,483. For labor (money wages only) 1924, 4,933,522; 1919, 5,259,834. For lumber, posts, wood, etc., 1924, 571,748.

Stock products—Milk produced (gallons) 1924, 19,265,559; 1919, 12,737,649. Butter made on farms (lbs.) 1924, 1,706,300; 1919, 1,404,138. Cream sold (gallons) 1924, 238,964; 1919, 198,300. Butterfat sold (pounds) 1924, 218,835; 1919, 682,973. Whole milk sold (gallons) 1924, 3,986,956; 1919, 626,479. Wool (pounds) 1924, 9,5321; 1919, 8,300,804. Chicken eggs (dozens) 1924, 4,075,394; 1919, 3,827,790.

Farm Mortgage Debt—Number of farms in state, January 1, 1925, 31,687; January 1, 1920, 29,844. Number of these farms reporting mortgage debt, January 1, 1925, 21,415; January 1, 1920, 23,333. Value of these mortgaged farms (land and buildings) January 1, 1925, \$31,214,602; 1920, \$43,085,477. Amount of mortgage debt, January 1, 1925, \$11,578,571; 1920, \$11,603,404. Ratio of mortgage debt to value of farms (per cent) January 1, 1925, 37.1; January 1, 1920, 25.9.

The 1925 farm population includes only persons living on farms; the 1920 figures include also those farm workers (and their families) who were not living on farms, lived outside the limits of any incorporated place.

Poor Father
"What's 'leisure,' pa?"
"Leisure, my son, is two minutes' rest a man gets while his wife is hunting up something else for him to do."
—Boston Transcript.

GOOD LOOKS
She takes a good look at every handsome man she meets and they always come back. What makes them do it?
—Her good looks.



Alive and Active
The fools aren't all dead yet.
We heard a man bewailing.
So, we agreed, and, sad to say,
A lot aren't even ailing.

Too Well
Have you a speaking acquaintance with the woman next door?
"A speaking acquaintance? I know her so well that we don't speak at all."

Too Risky
Say, if you know who stole your watch, why don't you get it back?
"Well, I've got his smoking jacket."

See our samples of Engraving—Advocate.

LOCALS

H. C. Keiser returned last Thursday from a trip to Denver.

J. R. Wright returned yesterday from a visit to relatives in Texas.

R. J. House, of the Cottonwood community, was in town to see Santa Friday.

Seven hundred cars of cattle have been shipped from the Pecos, Texas section since August 15th, 1926.

W. H. Cobble and children drove to Roswell last Thursday to meet relatives, who were coming for a holiday visit.

Miss Vera Madge Eaton is here from Inglewood, California visiting her home folks, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Eaton.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Brown and children were guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Young in Roswell for Christmas dinner.

Miss Frances Dewell, manager of the Dewell Variety store, spent Christmas and Sunday at her home in Roswell.

Jack King, after a short time at home, was compelled to return to the Roswell hospital last week. Mrs. King accompanied him.

Mr. and Mrs. John Creek came in from McKamy, Texas to spend Christmas with Mrs. Creek's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mancil Turner.

Mr. and Mrs. George Frisch and daughters, returned Tuesday from a visit to their daughter, Mrs. Buford Chunn, and Mr. Chunn at Wellington, Texas.

Dwight McCree came home from the Southern Methodist University at Dallas, Texas to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles McCree.

Reed McCaw was officially notified last week that he had been accepted as a tuba player in the National High School Orchestra, which convenes at Dallas in February.

J. R. Hoffman, who came in last week from Alamogordo to spend the holidays with homefolks, has removed his family to his new home and plans to engage in newspaper work at Alamogordo after the first of February.

Messrs. Earl Smith and Dallas, representatives of the state engineer's department, have recently been transferred to Hope from the northern part of the state. They will aid in making a survey of the water supply of the Pecos.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Gilbert drove to Ft. Worth, Texas, last week for a short visit with relatives and going on from there to spend Christmas with relatives in Kentucky. Miss Jessie Glenn Bullock accompanied them as far as Ft. Worth for a holiday visit to kinsfolk.

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Advocate Want Ads get results.

Judge Emmett Patton, of Roswell, spent a few hours here Monday.

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Dru Taylor was in from his ranch east of Artesia Monday and spent several hours here attending to business matters.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Norton left yesterday for Hereford, Texas, after a few days' visit to his father, R. H. Norton, and family.

J. D. Josey, of Hope, who spent Monday here attending to business matters, reports that Hope received about six inches of snow.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Collins, of Hagerman, were the guests of Mrs. Collins' parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. White for Christmas dinner.

Mrs. Sherman and daughter, Miss Grace, of Roswell, spent Christmas and Sunday with Mrs. Sherman's son, John Sherman, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ossie Coalsom, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Kimbrough and family were guests of Mrs. Una Hutchison at the R. H. Norton farm, Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Oldham Moore were in town from Dexter, Sunday. Mrs. Moore will participate in the concert to be given by the Bartlett orchestra in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Williams came in Tuesday from Canyon, Texas, where they had been visiting their daughter, Mrs. O. N. Gamble, and family for the past fortnight.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Reser and daughter, of Wichita, Kansas and Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Rowe and son spent the holidays with Mrs. Rowe's and Mr. Reser's parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. S. Reser, of the Cottonwood community.

A large crowd attended the Christmas tree given at the upper Cottonwood school house Thursday evening. A splendid program was rendered, after which the presents were removed from the tree. Santa appeared in the person of Rev. Moon.

W. J. Williamson has recently opened a new and second hand furniture store in the building formerly occupied by the Pecos Valley Plumbing and Heating Co., on West Main Street. Mr. Williamson expects to stock a nice line of furniture. See his announcement in this issue.

For Coal Phone 86

WANTED—Clean cotton rags at The Advocate.

THOS. O. BERRY, LOVING FARMER ACCIDENTLY SHOOTS HIMSELF WED.

Thomas O. Berry, farmer of the Loving community, was killed instantly Wednesday morning at nine o'clock, when the entire top of his head was shattered by a charge from a twelve gauge automatic shot gun.

A coroner's inquest was held at Loving that morning, and verdict was rendered that he came to his death by "self inflicted gun shot." Mr. Berry had gone up the irrigation ditch, telling Mrs. Berry that he had heard a duck in that direction. He left word that H. G. Watson was to come out, and to send him on after him, in the field.

Mr. Watson came out in a few minutes after Mr. Berry had left the house, and Mrs. Berry went out to get him, when she discovered his body at the edge of the ditch. It could not be definitely determined whether he had intentionally discharged the gun.

Mr. Berry was 55 years of age and has been located in that community for four years, coming with his family from Highland, Texas.

He was farming on the Valley Land Co. acreage. Besides a wife, he leaves a daughter, Mary, about fifteen years of age, and a son, Douglas, a few years older. They are well known here also.

Funeral services were held yesterday morning at the Thorne undertaking parlors, and burial was in the local cemetery.

AT THE SHOW



Willie—Daddy, how can the lady go into the cage with the tiger and not be eaten up?
Dad—Why—er—it's a man-eating tiger, I guess.

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Algy's acquiring a mustache
"Neath his patrician beak;
Getting it on the installment plan,
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Brown—Tenderhearted? Why, she always adds three drops of cholera-form to the cream before she whips it.

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Our Best Wishes For A Year of Bounty

The coming of the new year brings to us a deeper appreciation of the old associates and of the value of new friends and customers.

Truly, the year 1926 has been the greatest enjoyed by us since we have been in business in Artesia. We have put forth an effort to render service commensurate with the liberal patronage accorded us during the past year and we look forward to the new year with even greater expectations.

We wish to express an unselfish desire that the new year will bring prosperity to everyone.

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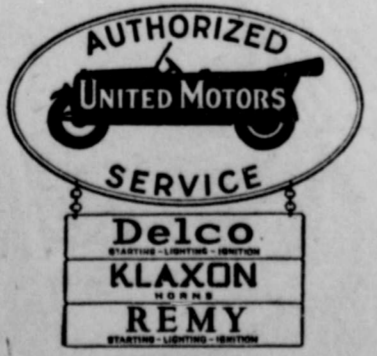
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FONE 65



We Greet THE NEW YEAR

Another year has swung slowly through its twelve months' span, has matured and declined while this old world worked and built and prospered. And as it moves grandly into the eternity from whence it came, we show no false regrets but welcome its successor, the infant 1927. Another year—and it will be a year of achievement. Another year—and science, culture, and commercial prosperity will have moved our old world a step farther toward ultimate perfection. May it be a year of success and happiness for us.

1927, WE WELCOME YOU

CITIZENS STATE BANK

The Judge — He Should Be the Hero. by M.B.



How to Play BRIDGE

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Spades — A, K, 9, 8

No score, rubber game. Z dealt and bid one spade. A had a perfect inforamatory double of the spade bid but bid two clubs, failing to look forward and consider his opponent's or partner's bidding based on his two club bid. He should have doubled in the hope that his partner could bid hearts, not thinking that his failure to double might keep his partner from bidding. When A bid two clubs, Y, who was a mighty clever player, realized that the only suit in which A-B might have a chance for game was hearts so bid three spades. B would have bid two hearts but didn't feel strong enough to bid four, especially as his partner had failed to double. For these reasons, B passed. Z passed and A bid four clubs. He had a big hand but didn't handle it right. Y and B passed and Z, also a good player, was wise enough not to double four clubs, feeling that to do so would drive A-B to four hearts. As a result, A-B were set three tricks at clubs when they could have made four hearts. This big loss was directly due to A's failure to look forward to all the bidding of the

hand rather than to the bidding of his own cards only. There are many bids that are sound for that bid only but unsound when considered as part of a harmonious whole. Think not only of your own bid, but of your partner and opponents and the action they may take if you make that bid. Look forward always and try to consider every bid as part of a chain of bids, rather than as a single and disconnected link. Here is a hand illustrating the same point:

Problem No. 13

Hearts — Q, 6
Clubs — K, 4, 3
Diamonds — A, K, 10, 7, 2
Spades — K, Q, 4

Y :
A B :
Z :

No score, rubber game. Z dealt, bid one no-trump and A passed. What should Y bid and why? An analysis of this hand will be given in the next article.

Problem No. 14

Hearts — A, 10
Clubs — A, Q, 8, 7
Diamonds — none
Spades — none

Y :
A B :
Z :

Hearts — Q, J, 3
Clubs — K, 3
Diamonds — none
Spades — 5

Spades are trumps and Z is in the lead. How can he so play the hand that Y-Z can win all of the tricks against any defense? Solution in the next article.

FAMILY OF NINE SLAIN

The Texaco community was immersed in the shadows of holiday tragedy Friday, with the discovery of Mrs. George Hassel and her eight children were unearthed at the Hassel home. George Hassel, step father of the children, has been under guard since the gruesome discovery near his residence. He was placed in the Clovis hospital suffering from a self inflicted wound. It is surmised that Hassel attempted to take his own life on Thursday, the day before the bodies of his wife and eight step children were exhumed in an old caved in dug out.

GOVERNOR GRANTS TWO ADDITIONAL PARDONS

Governor Hannett Monday, granted an additional pardon, on the recommendation of the state prison board. Genoverva Cordova, sentenced from Taos county in 1922 to serve from 75 to 80 years in the state pen received a commuted sentence from Gov. Hannett. Also a full pardon for C. Pena, a trusty in the penitentiary was granted on Christmas day.

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LETTER TO MORROW INDICATES ARTESIAN SURVEY SATISFACTORY

A copy of a communication addressed to Congressman John Morrow relative to the investigation of the under ground water supply by the U. S. Geological survey. The letter follows:

Washington, D. C.,
December 18, 1926.

Hon. John Morrow,
House of Representatives.

My dear Mr. Morrow:

In reply to your letter of December 14:

I am glad to inform you that the investigation in the Roswell artesian basin is being carried forward as planned and very good results have already been obtained which should lead to an effective program of conservation that will put agriculture in this region on a secure basis. The continuation of the work as planned has been made possible by an appropriation of \$3,000 by the County Commissioners of Chaves County and by very careful planning in the Geological Survey so that a substantial contribution of federal funds is available for this investigation in the current fiscal year.

No provision has, however, been made for the investigation in Taos county for which numerous requests have been made. You will recall that the problem there relates to a domestic water supply for dry farmers, many of whom are ex-service men. The need for an investigation of the prospects of obtaining water from wells in that area was first called to the attention of the Geological Survey last year by Prof. G. R. Quesberry of the State Agricultural Experiment Station. It will be impossible to undertake the investigation in Taos county with the funds that are available from the appropriations for the present fiscal year, and there is very little prospect that it can be undertaken next year unless special funds are provided from some sources.

Very cordially yours,
GEORGE OTIS SMITH,
Director.

THREE DEAD IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Mrs. Clara Pearson and two nieces Misses Edna and Alice Crawford, of Greeley, Colorado, are dead as a result of an auto accident, which occurred near Santa Fe Friday, when the auto in which they were riding, skidded over an embankment, near a bridge ten miles south of Santa Fe. Ben Gregory, another occupant of the car is in a serious condition in a Santa Fe hospital.

For Coal Phone 86. 12-16-4tc

U.S. CONGRESS MAY MAKE DRASTIC TAX CUT IN DECEMBER 1927

WASHINGTON.—A tax cut of between \$400,000,000 and \$500,000,000 probably will be sanctioned by the treasury when the 70th congress convenes in December, 1927.

Treasury experts already are at work on data to determine just how much of a reduction can be allowed before the presidential election year.

Millionaires and big corporations will be the chief beneficiaries of the next tax slash, it was intimated last Wednesday. The small taxpayer and the small corporation will not be greatly affected.

Only about one out of every thirty persons in the country paid income taxes this year and the big corporations and wealthy individuals carried the heaviest part of the burden, it was pointed out.

The treasury opposes further exemptions for individuals. The department feels an exemption of \$3,500 for a married couple and \$1,500 for a single person is sufficient.

GOV. HANNETT GRANTS CHRISTMAS PARDON

Governor A. T. Hannett, Friday granted one Christmas pardon. Thomas Jonas, who was sentenced to the state reform school in January, 1926 from Eddy county, was granted a full and complete pardon because of his unusual record since he has been in the institution and because he had reached the mature age where he should be earning his own living.

THIS IS STILL A GOOD OLD WORLD TO LIVE IN

Despite the joys and sorrows, the disappointments, the troubles and successes that have come to us during the past year, we still find Artesia a good place to live—Whether or not success shall crown our efforts in 1927, we hope that our past experience has better enabled us to serve the community.

And if we have our wish, 1927 will bring prosperity to this section

KEMP LUMBER CO.

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ADVOCATE WANT ADS GET RESULTS

GREETINGS--

Before the old year is counted out, permit us to pause and say thank you for the nice business accorded us during the past year. We hope a full measure of prosperity will be yours during the year 1927.

BARTLETT ELECTRIC COMPANY



In ANTICIPATION

Hewing its way to prosperity, our lusty active world has left old 1926 exhausted by the wayside. We hail our new torchbearer, as yet untried, the youthful and ambitious 1927. For twelve months he is to be our guide. He will lead where we will, for he is as inexperienced as ourselves. With a willing world behind him, he cannot but guide us to Happiness in the next year.

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We wish you peace, comfort, happiness and prosperity and express the hope that as we received much pleasure from our service to you that we pleased you—and that we may be honored with your continued friendship and patronage in 1927.

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MORROW INTRODUCES LAND GRANT BILL FOR AGRICULTURE COLLEGE

Congressman John Morrow has introduced a bill granting lands to the



SUPPLEMENT TO THE ARTESIA ADVOCATE, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1926



Rural News

LAKE ARTHUR ITEMS

(Mrs. Alva Spence, Reporter)

Miss Howe is visiting in Roswell over this week.

Mrs. A. M. Hedges, of Roswell spent Christmas here with her children.

John Griffith, of the oil field, came in to spend the holidays here with his family.

A. V. Flowers returned home this week from Abilene, where he has been on land business.

Collin Selby, of Las Cruces, came in last week to spend the holidays with friends here.

A basketball game between Artesia and Lake Arthur is scheduled for Tuesday evening here.

Miss McAllister, primary teacher here, left Friday for Floyd, to spend her vacation with relatives.

E. C. Moots and Mrs. Howard Moots, of Clovis, spent Christmas here with friends and relatives.

Miss Maggie Lane and sister, Mrs. Ora Moore, came in Thursday to spend the holidays with their parents.

Miss Bernice Powell left last week to spend her vacation, from school teaching, with her home folks in Slater, Missouri.

Tom Clark left this week for Uvalde, Texas, where he has a brother. They expect to set up in the poultry business.

J. R. Spence and daughter, Mrs. Roy Vermillion, went to Roswell to have Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. John Hill and family.

Miss Bradford, who is a teacher in the public school here, left last week for Greenville, Texas to spend the holidays with her parents.

Mrs. Redman Pate left last week for Canutillo, Texas, where she was called to attend the bedside of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Barton's baby, who is very ill.

We understand a company from Illinois has purchased the Irvin well east of the river, and have moved a rig over there, preparatory to begin drilling again.

Ocie Marie Spence, came in Thursday from Canyon, Texas, where she is attending school at the West Texas State Teachers College, to spend Christmas with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hill of the Diamond A ranch spent the holidays here with Mrs. Walton and other relatives. Mrs. Walton accompanied them back to the ranch Sunday, returning Monday.

Mrs. B. C. Moots entertained a few friends last Monday evening in her home, honoring Mrs. Howard Moots, of Clovis, who is here visiting during the holidays. A delightful evening was spent and fruit cake with coffee rounded out the evening's pleasures.

A very pathetic and interesting picture was shown at the auditorium last Friday evening to a large crowd, the title being "From the manger to the Cross"—and the spirit of

OIL FIELD NOTES

Miss Pearl Butcher is spending the vacation at her home in Carlsbad.

James Nugent has returned from a short trip to Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Mrs. A. F. Wittkopp and Mrs. Floyd Hey were Artesia visitors yesterday.

Jimmie Markham has returned from Carlsbad, where he has been driving a truck for the Ohio Oil Co.

Miss Frances Markham spent a very merry Christmas with Aaron Sudderth at his home at the Illinois pipe line camp.

Aaron Sudderth, who is working in Panhandle, spent Christmas with his folks at the Illinois pipe line boarding house.

It was reported that Old Santa was very kind to all who attended the Christmas tree at the school house Christmas Eve.

A dance was given by Mr. and Mrs. Montague at the Illinois Pipe Line bank house Christmas night. A wonderful time was reported by all.

FALL ILL IN EL PASO

Albert B. Fall, former secretary of the interior was confined to bed in El Paso with a slight attack of pneumonia during the early part of the week. His condition is described as satisfactory and it is expected that he will recover unless complications set in.

DEFUNCT BANK PAYS DIVIDEND

The comptroller of currency has authorized the payment of a five percent dividend to creditors of the Citizens State Bank of Roswell.

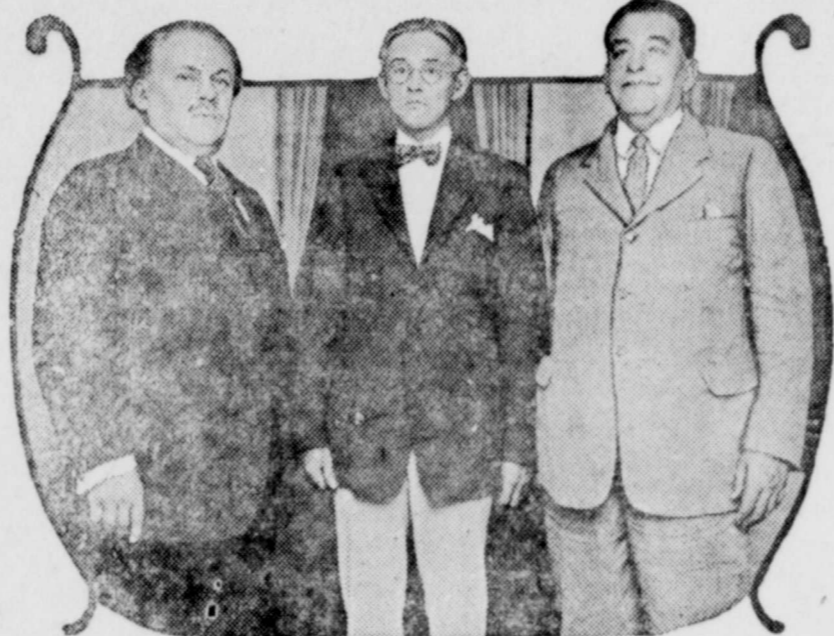
Christmas was more impressive than ever before, as the story of the nativity was thrown on the screen.

The boys and girls basketball teams both motored to Hope on Wednesday of last week and enjoyed another swift game of ball. Our local teams being accustomed to the indoor court, were handicapped, then some of the best players were disabled, so we met with defeat, the score being 16 to 7 in the girls game, and 13 to 12 in the boys game.

With the spacious new auditorium crowded to its capacity, last Thursday evening, and a beautiful tree heavily laden, Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus made their appearance, after a very interesting and appropriate program, rendered by the children. A bountiful treat was given to each one present, and Santa bid the children be good, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Coach Hines sacrificed his trip home during the holidays to remain here with his boys and give them some good practice during their vacation. The boys appreciate same and have responded loyally to call to practice each evening this week in the auditorium, also his admonishing to abstain from sweets and tobacco. We have a right to feel proud of our boys and they are coming to the front in athletics.

The Horn's Triumvirate



These three men, known wherever horns are played, were among the musical folk who gathered in Elkhart, Ind., recently for the annual "music feast" of the Conn Music Center, to discuss the value of instrumental music in the training of boys and girls. At the right is Bohunir Kryl, world-famous cornet virtuoso and leader of the band bearing his name. In the center is C. D. Greenleaf, president of the National Association of Band Instrument Manufacturers, and at the left is Frederick Neil Innes, foremost trombone virtuoso of the eighties and nineties and leader of the famous Innes band. Mr. Innes is now head of the Conn National School of Music in Chicago.

BOARD MAKES NEW RULING FOR SAFETY OF SCHOOL TRUCKS

Its attention having been called to the fact that school children are being transported in steel cages, which would prove a death trap in case of fire, the state board of education at a meeting Monday adopted a ruling intended to safeguard the children. Miss Isabel L. Eckles, state school superintendent, announced last week.

W. E. Blanchard, of Lake Arthur, Eddy county, reported that the trucks used to carry the children are enclosed with heavy wire netting without a door at the back. The only exit, he said, is where fire is likely to start; hence the children's only means of escape would be cut off if the truck caught fire.

The board's ruling follows: First: That pending further ruling from the state board of education, all covered trucks used in transportation of children shall be provided with doors which swing outward and which can be opened by means of a latch by anyone from the inside, and that they must not be locked.

Second: That all drivers of school trucks shall be 18 years of age or over.

The board's ruling has the force of law.

The ruling is to stand until the board has time for further investigation looking to the safety of the school children.

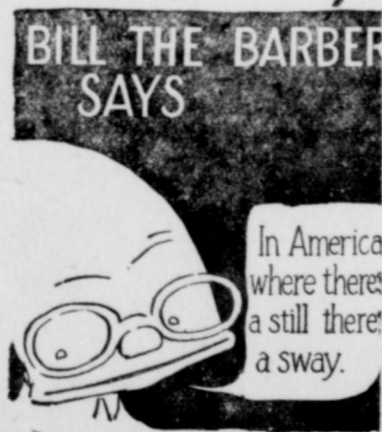
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O. E. S. INITIATION AND INSTALLATION

At the regular meeting Tuesday evening the Eastern Star initiated Mrs. Jessie Miller, Mrs. Erie Dunn, Mrs. Ruby Dunn, Miss Nola Naylor and E. F. Olds. The installation of officers was also held, the list being Mrs. Tempy Bates, Worthy Matron; E. H. Perry, Worthy Patron; Mrs. Mattie Story, Associate Matron; Mrs. Jessie Morgan, Secretary; Mrs. Myrtle Jackson, treasurer; Mrs. Meda Wells, conductress; Mrs. Ida Perry, associate conductress; Mrs. Nellie Donahue, chaplain; Mrs. Addie Sharp, marshal; S. E. Ferree, organist; Miss Ruth Morgan, Ada; Mrs. Dorothy Painter, Ruth; Mrs. Katherine Atteberry, Esther; Mrs. Lulu Olds, Martha; Mrs. Lucile Gilbert, Electra; Mrs. Nancy Eipper, Warder; A. B. Coll, sentinel.

A social hour with refreshments completed the evening.

For Coal Phone 86



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WANTED—A few Leghorn hens, work team, good milch cow. R. L. Paris. 12-9-4tp

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WANTED—General house work by day or hour. Call phone 307F3. 12-30-4tc

MASONS! ATTENTION!

Members of Artesia Lodge No. 28 and visiting Masons are cordially requested to attend services at the Presbyterian church Sunday evening, January 2nd, at 7:00, when Rev. John P. Sinclair will preach on "St. John, the evangelist." S. E. FERREE, Secretary.

For Coal Phone 86

The Christmas program at the Methodist church was given on Christmas eve, which being cold and snowy was not a very favorable time for a program. The primary department gave short exercises, which, as usual, were greatly enjoyed by the audience. This was followed by a pageant, "The Fruits of His Labor," the theme of which was the "Superannuate preacher." This was given by the young people of the Epworth League under the direction of the Rev. Higbee and was very successfully presented. A treat was distributed to the members of the Sunday school.

NEW CHARTERS GRANTED

Charters were issued Monday by the state corporation commission at Santa Fe to the National Auto Camps, Inc., and the Repollo Oil Co., the latter a Wyoming concern. Principle offices for both firms will be maintained in Roswell.

T. P. McDonald NE 1/4 sec. 34: Shut down at 200 feet. Ohio Oil Co., Wm. Mitchell No. 1, NE corner SW 1/4 sec. 18-17-32: Drilling below 4035 feet.

Curry County Frio Oil Co., Saunders No. 2, in sec. 11, twp. 6N, 35 E.: No report. Steinberger et al., No. 1, in the center of the NE 1/4 sec. 21, twp. 3N, 35 E.: Location only.

Quay County. Argo Oil Co., sec. 5-7-31: No report. Gibson Oil Co., NW 1/4 sec. 25-8-32: Completed water well. Ohio Oil Co., sec. 24, twp. 7 N, rg 29 E.: No report.

DeBaca County. McAdoo Petroleum Corp., State No. 1, sec. 16-1-27: No report.



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Hearts — Q
Clubs — K, 8, 6, 5, 2
Diamonds — J, 10, 2
Spades — A, K, 9, 8

No score, rubber game. Z dealt and bid one ♠. A had a perfect informatory bid of ♠ of the spade bid but bid two clubs, failing to look forward and consider his opponent's or partner's bidding based on his two club bid. He should have doubled in the hope that his partner could bid hearts, not thinking that his failure to double might keep his partner from bidding. When A bid two clubs, Y, who was a mighty clever player, realized that the only suit in which A-B might have a chance for game was hearts so bid three spades. B would have bid two hearts but didn't feel strong enough to bid four, especially as his partner had failed to double. For these reasons, B passed. Z passed and A bid four clubs. He had a big hand but didn't handle it right. Y and B passed and Z, also a good player, was wise enough not to double four clubs, feeling that to do so would drive A-B to four hearts. As a result, A-B were set three tricks at clubs when they could have made four hearts. This big loss was directly due to A's failure to look forward to all the bidding of the

hand rather than to the bidding of his own cards only. There are many bids that are sound for that bid only but unsound when considered as part of a harmonious whole. Think not only of your own bid, but of your partner and opponents and the action they may take if you make that bid. Look forward always and try to consider every bid as part of a chain of bids, rather than as a single and disconnected link. Here is a hand illustrating the same point:

Problem No. 13

Hearts — Q, 6
Clubs — K, 4, 3
Diamonds — A, K, 10, 7, 2
Spades — K, Q, 4

Y B
A Z

No score, rubber game. Z dealt, bid one no-trump and A passed. What should Y bid and why? An analysis of this hand will be given in the next article.

Problem No. 14

Hearts — A, 10
Clubs — A, Q, 8, 7
Diamonds — none
Spades — none

Hearts — none
Clubs — none
Diamonds — A, Q, J, 10, 5, 3
Spades — none

Y B
A Z

Hearts — K, 9
Clubs — J, 10, 1, 3
Diamonds — none
Spades — none

Spades are trumps and Z is in the lead. How can he so play the hand that Y-Z can win all of the tricks against any defense? Solution in the next article.

FAMILY OF NINE SLAIN

The Texaco community was immersed in the shadows of holiday tragedy Friday, with the discovery of Mrs. George Hassel and her eight children were unearthed at the Hassel home. George Hassel, step father of the children, has been under guard since the gruesome discovery near his residence. He was placed in the Clovis hospital suffering from a self inflicted wound. It is surmised that Hassel attempted to take his own life on Thursday, the day before the bodies of his wife and eight step children were exhumed in an old caved in dug out.

GOVERNOR GRANTS TWO ADDITIONAL PARDONS

Governor Hannett Monday, granted an additional pardon, on the recommendation of the state prison board Genoverna Cordova, sentenced from Taos county in 1922 to serve from 75 to 80 years in the state pen received a commuted sentence from Gov. Hannett. Also a full pardon for C. Pena, a trusty in the penitentiary was granted on Christmas day.

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LETTER TO MORROW INDICATES ARTESIAN SURVEY SATISFACTORY

A copy of a communication addressed to Congressman John Morrow relative to the investigation of the under ground water supply by the U. S. Geological survey. The letter follows:

Washington, D. C., December 18, 1926.

Hon. John Morrow, House of Representatives. My dear Mr. Morrow:

In reply to your letter of December 14:

I am glad to inform you that the investigation in the Roswell artesian basin is being carried forward as planned and very good results have already been obtained which should lead to an effective program of conservation that will put agriculture in this region on a secure basis. The continuation of the work as planned has been made possible by an appropriation of \$5,000 by the County Commissioners of Chaves County and by very careful planning in the Geological Survey so that a substantial contribution of federal funds is available for this investigation in the current fiscal year.

No provision has, however, been made for the investigation in Taos county for which numerous requests have been made. You will recall that the problem there relates to a domestic water supply for dry farmers, many of whom are ex-service men. The need for an investigation of the prospects of obtaining water from wells in that area was first called to the attention of the Geological Survey last year by Prof. G. R. Quesenberry of the State Agricultural Experiment Station. It will be impossible to undertake the investigation in Taos county with the funds that are available from the appropriations for the present fiscal year, and there is very little prospect that it can be undertaken next year unless special funds are provided from some sources.

Very cordially yours,

GEORGE OTIS SMITH, Director.

THREE DEAD IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Mrs. Clara Pearson and two nieces Misses Edna and Alice Crawford, of Greeley, Colorado, are dead as a result of an auto accident, which occurred near Santa Fe Friday, when the auto in which they were riding, skidded over an embankment, near a bridge ten miles south of Santa Fe. Ben Gregory, another occupant of the car is in a serious condition in a Santa Fe hospital.

For Coal Phone 86. 12-16-4tc

U. S. CONGRESS MAY MAKE DRASTIC TAX CUT IN DECEMBER 1927

WASHINGTON.—A tax cut of between \$400,000,000 and \$500,000,000 probably will be sanctioned by the treasury when the 70th congress convenes in December, 1927.

Treasury experts already are at work on data to determine just how much of a reduction can be allowed before the presidential election year.

Millionaires and big corporations will be the chief beneficiaries of the next tax slash, it was intimated last Wednesday. The small taxpayer and the small corporation will not be greatly affected.

Only about one out of every thirty persons in the country paid income taxes this year and the big corporations and wealthy individuals carried the heaviest part of the burden, it was pointed out.

The treasury opposes further exemptions for individuals. The department feels an exemption of \$3,500 for a married couple and \$1,500 for a single person is sufficient.

GOV. HANNETT GRANTS CHRISTMAS PARDON

Governor A. T. Hannett, Friday granted one Christmas pardon. Thomas Jonas, who was sentenced to the state reform school in January, 1926 from Eddy county, was granted a full and complete pardon because of his unusual record since he has been in the institution and because he had reached the mature age where he should be earning his own living.

THIS IS STILL A GOOD OLD WORLD TO LIVE IN

Despite the joys and sorrows, the disappointments, the troubles and successes that have come to us during the past year, we still find Artesia a good place to live—Whether or not success shall crown our efforts in 1927, we hope that our past experience has better enabled us to serve the community.

And if we have our wish, 1927 will bring prosperity to this section

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GREETINGS--

Before the old year is counted out, permit us to pause and say thank you for the nice business accorded us during the past year. We hope a full measure of prosperity will be yours during the year 1927.

BARTLETT ELECTRIC COMPANY

In ANTICIPATION

Hewing its way to prosperity, our lusty active world has left old 1926 exhausted by the wayside. We hail our new torchbearer, as yet untried, the youthful and ambitious 1927. For twelve months he is to be our guide. He will lead where we will, for he is as inexperienced as ourselves. With a willing world behind him, he cannot but guide us to Happiness in the next year.

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We wish you peace, comfort, happiness and prosperity and express the hope that as we received much pleasure from our service to you that we pleased you—and that we may be honored with your continued friendship and patronage in 1927.

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Rural News

LAKE ARTHUR ITEMS (Mrs. Alva Spence, Reporter)

Miss Howe is visiting in Roswell over this week.

Mrs. A. M. Hedges, of Roswell spent Christmas here with her children.

John Griffith, of the oil field, came in to spend the holidays here with his family.

A. V. Flowers returned home this week from Abilene, where he has been on land business.

Collin Selby, of Las Cruces, came in last week to spend the holidays with friends here.

A basketball game between Artesia and Lake Arthur is scheduled for Tuesday evening here.

Miss McAllister, primary teacher here, left Friday for Floyd, to spend her vacation with relatives.

B. C. Moots and Mrs. Howard Moots, of Clovis, spent Christmas here with friends and relatives.

Miss Maggie Lane and sister, Mrs. Ora Moore, came in Thursday to spend the holidays with their parents.

Miss Bernice Powell left last week to spend her vacation, from school teaching, with her home folks in Slater, Missouri.

Tom Clark left this week for Uvalda, Texas, where he has a brother. They expect to set up in the poultry business.

J. R. Spence and daughter, Mrs. Roy Vermillion, went to Roswell to have Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. John Hill and family.

Miss Bradford, who is a teacher in the public school here, left last week for Greenville, Texas to spend the holidays with her parents.

Mrs. Redman Pate left last week for Canutillo, Texas, where she was called to attend the bedside of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Barton's baby, who is very ill.

We understand a company from Illinois has purchased the Irvin well east of the river, and have moved a rig over there, preparatory to begin drilling again.

Ocie Marie Spence, came in Thursday from Canyon, Texas, where she is attending school at the West Texas State Teachers College, to spend Christmas with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hill of the Diamond A ranch spent the holidays here with Mrs. Walton and other relatives. Mrs. Walton accompanied them back to the ranch Sunday, returning Monday.

Mrs. B. C. Moots entertained a few friends last Monday evening in her home, honoring Mrs. Howard Moots, of Clovis, who is here visiting during the holidays. A delightful evening was spent and fruit cake with coffee rounded out the evening's pleasures.

A very pathetic and interesting picture was shown at the auditorium last Friday evening to a large crowd, the title being "From the manger to the Cross"—and the spirit of

OIL FIELD NOTES

Miss Pearl Butcher is spending the vacation at her home in Carlsbad.

James Nugent has returned from a short trip to Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Mrs. A. F. Wittkopp and Mrs. Floyd Hey were Artesia visitors yesterday.

Jimmie Markham has returned from Carlsbad, where he has been driving a truck for the Ohio Oil Co.

Miss Frances Markham spent a very merry Christmas with Aaron Sudderth at his home at the Illinois pipe line camp.

Aaron Sudderth, who is working in Panhandle, spent Christmas with his folks at the Illinois pipe line boarding house.

It was reported that Old Santa was very kind to all who attended the Christmas tree at the school house Christmas Eve.

A dance was given by Mr. and Mrs. Montague at the Illinois Pipe Line bunk house Christmas night. A wonderful time was reported by all.

FALL ILL IN EL PASO

Albert B. Fall, former secretary of the interior was confined to bed in El Paso with a slight attack of pneumonia during the early part of the week. His condition is described as satisfactory and it is expected that he will recover unless complications set in.

DEFUNCT BANK PAYS DIVIDEND

The comptroller of currency has authorized the payment of a five per cent dividend to creditors of the Citizens State Bank of Roswell.

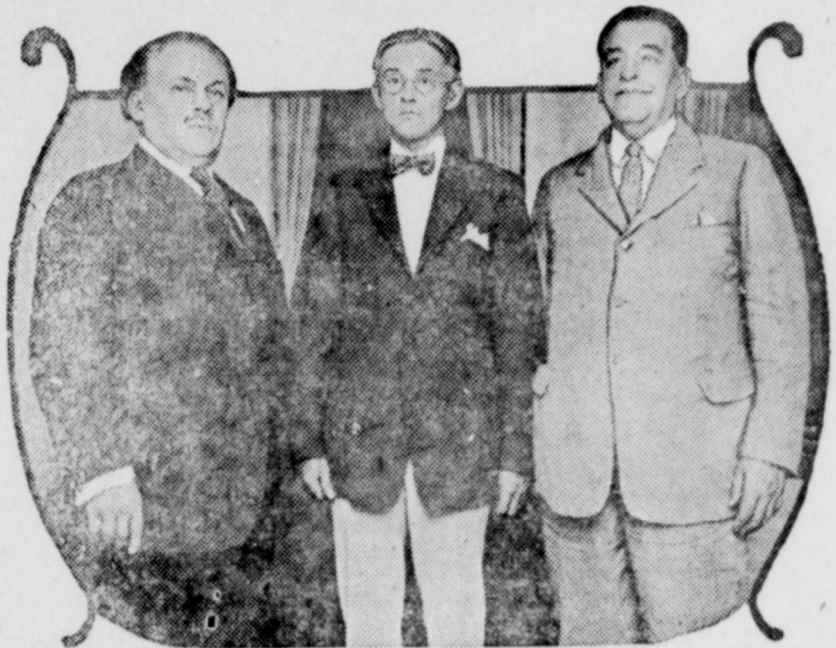
Christmas was more impressive than ever before, as the story of the nativity was thrown on the screen.

The boys and girls basketball teams both motored to Hope on Wednesday of last week and enjoyed another swift game of ball. Our local teams being accustomed to the indoor court, were handicapped, then some of the best players were disabled, so we met with defeat, the score being 16 to 7 in the girls game, and 13 to 12 in the boys game.

With the spacious new auditorium crowded to its capacity, last Thursday evening, and a beautiful tree heavily laden, Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus made their appearance, after a very interesting and appropriate program, rendered by the children. A bountiful treat was given to each one present, and Santa bid the children be good, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Coach Hines sacrificed his trip home during the holidays to remain here with his boys and give them some good practice during their vacation. The boys appreciate same and have responded loyally to call to practice each evening this week in the auditorium, also his admonishing to abstain from sweets and tobacco. We have a right to feel proud of our boys and they are coming to the front in athletics.

The Horn's Triumvirate



These three men, known wherever horns are played, were among the musical folk who gathered in Elkhart, Ind., recently for the annual "music feast" of the Conn Music Center, to discuss the value of instrumental music in the training of boys and girls. At the right is Bohumir Kryl, world-famous cornet virtuoso and leader of the band bearing his name. In the center is C. D. Greenleaf, president of the National Association of Band Instrument Manufacturers, and at the left is Frederick Neil Innes, foremost trombone virtuoso of the eighties and nineties and leader of the famous Innes band. Mr. Innes is now head of the Conn National School of Music in Chicago.

BOARD MAKES NEW RULING FOR SAFETY OF SCHOOL TRUCKS

Its attention having been called to the fact that school children are being transported in steel cages, which would prove a death trap in case of fire, the state board of education at a meeting Monday adopted a ruling intended to safeguard the children, Miss Isabel L. Eckles, state school superintendent, announced last week.

W. E. Blanchard, of Lake Arthur, Eddy county, reported that the trucks used to carry the children are enclosed with heavy wire netting without a door at the back. The only exit, he said, is where fire is likely to start; hence the children's only means of escape would be cut off if the truck caught fire.

The board's ruling follows:

First: That pending further ruling from the state board of education, all covered trucks used in transportation of children shall be provided with doors which swing outward and which can be opened by means of a latch by anyone from the inside, and that they must not be locked.

Second: That all drivers of school trucks shall be 18 years of age or over.

The board's ruling has the force of law.

The ruling is to stand until the board has time for further investigation looking to the safety of the school children.

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O. E. S. INITIATION AND INSTALLATION

At the regular meeting Tuesday evening the Eastern Star initiated Mrs. Jessie Miller, Mrs. Erie Dunn, Mrs. Ruby Dunn, Miss Nola Naylor and E. F. Olds. The installation of officers was also held, the list being Mrs. Tempy Bates, Worthy Matron; E. H. Perry, Worthy Patron, Mrs. Mattie Story, Associate Matron; Mrs. Jessie Morgan, Secretary; Mrs. Myrtle Jackson, treasurer; Mrs. Meda Wells, conductress; Mrs. Ida Perry, associate conductress; Mrs. Nellie Donahue, chaplain; Mrs. Addie Sharp, marshal; S. E. Ferree, organist; Miss Ruth Morgan, Ada; Mrs. Dorothy Painter, Ruth; Mrs. Katherine Atteberry, Esther; Mrs. Lulu Olds, Martha; Mrs. Lucile Gilbert, Electra; Mrs. Nancy Eipper, Warder; A. B. Coll, sentinel.

A social hour with refreshments completed the evening.

For Coal Phone 86

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FOR SALE

SALE—Dry apple wood. All apply J. B. Cecil. 12-9-tic

FOR SALE

Two row planter, one cultivated new; one 3 1/2 horse power engine, one wagon and several saddle horses, a few red sows. R. L. Paris 12-9-4tp

SALE—Several pieces of lawnmower, also lawn mower and hose at home of Chas. McCree, Dallas Ave. Lucy Thomas. 11-18-tic

SALE—No. 3 National Drill, almost new, only drilled feet. Has 12x12 engine and 10 H. P. Firebox Boiler. De F. O. B. cars Los Angeles. Will sell without boiler engine. Casing all sizes also for E. D. TAYLOR, 1119 W. 2d. Grand Building, Los Angeles, Cal. 12-16-3tp

SALE—Two lots and four blocks located three blocks south of Fruit store. Will sell cheap if cash at once. Mrs. R. B. Kish-see S. E. Ferree. 12-23-tic

SALE—Several tracts valuable leases in immediate Maljamar District of producing wells. Must sell. Will make price very attractive for immediate buyer. Communicate at once with Stanley Williamson, Base Cabezas, Arizona. 12-30-4tp

SALE—5 tube Atwater Kent Radio. First class condition. Apply 101 Grand Avenue. 12-30-1tp

SALE—Four acres close in, with five room frame house, sheds, chicken house, net wire fence. Price low for quick sale. Noel L. Johnson, Hope. 12-30-1t-cor

SALE—960 acres of oil and gas leases in township six south, range thirty-one east, about four miles south of Kenna, New Mexico. Write owner, Minnie B. Kimmons, Kenna, New Mexico. 12-30-2tp

SALE—Complete string of 5 3/8-10 drilling and fishing tools, also 4500 feet 7-8 drilling line, 6000 ft. 3-3/8 sand line, 1250 ft. 1 in. casing line, 2400 ft. 5 3/8-16, 17 lb. Natl. BIX casing. All practically new, used few days only. Situated at Magdalena. Will sell at considerable discount. Write Owners, L. H. Mitchell & Sons, 808 Stock Exchange Bldg., Los Angeles, Calif. 12-30-6tp

SALE—1926 Chevrolet truck. acquire at 106 Eighth street. 12-30-1tp

FOR RENT

RENT—Four room house, edge of town. S. E. Ferree. 10-21-tfc

RENT—Four room modern cottage. Apply to S. A. Lanning. 11-11-tfc

RENT—Furnished or unfurnished house. Apply at 611 West Dallas Ave. Mrs. McNiel. 12-30-1tc

MISCELLANEOUS

LAND TO LEASE—100 acres good land joining Dayton. Would like to lease for a term of years and sell our horses, cows and implements. Good six room house, plenty of water, good rabbit cage of fence. C. H. Smith, Box 396, Dayton, New Mexico. 10-7-tfc

ROOM AND BOARD—at the Terrell house, good meals served family style, 512 W. Richardson, phone 144. 10-21-tfc

LAND FOR LEASE—240 acres in Sec. 18, Two miles southwest of Eaton No. 1 well in Twp. 18 S., R. 27 E. Kaiser Bros. Dayton, New Mexico. 12-30-tfc

WANTED

WANTED—A few Leghorn hens, work team, good milch cow. R. L. Paris. 12-9-4tp

WANTED—500 lambs to fatten on 50-50 basis, or 1000 sheep to winter. Good grass, feed and water. D. Rector, Baileyboro Texas, Bailey Co. 12-30-3tp

WANTED—General house work by day or hour. Call phone 307F3. 12-30-tfc

MASONS! ATTENTION!

Members of Artesia Lodge No. 28 and visiting Masons are cordially requested to attend services at the Presbyterian church Sunday evening, January 2nd, at 7:00, when Rev. John P. Sinclair will preach on "St. John, the evangelist." S. E. FERREE, Secretary.

For Coal Phone 86

THE CHURCHES

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Corner Fourth and Grand
Rev. John Sinclair, Pastor.
Phone 249

Sunday, January 2nd, 1927.
9:45 Sabbath school.
11:00 a. m., morning worship.
Quarterly communion and reception of new members. Sermon subject: "How Best Can We Number Our Days?"

6:15 p. m., Young Peoples service.
7:00 p. m., evening worship. The local Masonic Lodge will attend this service in a body, in commemoration of St. John's Day. The pastor will preach on "The Life of Saint John, the Evangelist, one of the Patron saints of freemasonry." The Masonic quartette will sing.
Wednesday, 7:00 p. m., Junior choir. 7:45, devotional service. "Time goes, they say. No! Time stays, we go."

ARTESIA METHODIST CHURCH
Fifth & Grand Avenue.
Rev. Claudius C. Higbee, Pastor
Residence 407 W. Richardson,
Phone 26.

9:45 a. m., Sunday school. M. A. Brown, superintendent.
11:00 a. m., Morning Worship. Sermon subject: "The Life Beyond"—Lecture No. one.
6:00 p. m., Epworth League. Miss Lois Gable, president.

7:00 p. m., evening service. Message by Rev. J. B. Cochran, public installation of officers of Womens Missionary Society and first quarterly conference.

7:00 p. m., Tuesday, official board meeting in pastor's study.
7:00 p. m., Wednesday, prayer meeting. Study of parables.
7:00 p. m., Thursday, choir rehearsals.

9:00 to 12:00 p. m., Friday, December 31st, community watch night service.

Let's make it one of our New Year resolutions to attend religious services every Sunday possible. And start the very first Sunday.

A WATCH SERVICE

Under auspices of Council of Churches, a union watch night service will be held at the Methodist church, Friday, December 31st, at 9 p. m. and will conclude at 12:05 a. m. A number of interesting features have been arranged. Community singing led by R. A. Brewer and accompanied by the Community Orchestra, which will also give some special music. A debate "Resolved that the world has grown better during 1926, affirmative will be upheld by Jim Stagner and B. A. Bishop, while negative will be debated by J. H. Jackson and Bert Smith.

Social hour including games and refreshments from 10 to 11, and the conservation service, to be addressed by Dr. A. S. Dowd, the new pastor of the Christian church will occupy the last hour of 1926.

All are cordially invited to make this service the banner service of the year. Come and bring your friends.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
Corner Missouri and Eighth Streets
E. E. Hale, Pastor

Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Preaching, "The Secret of a Happy New Year" 11:00 a. m.
Young Peoples Meeting, 6:00 p. m.
Evangelistic service, 7:00 p. m.
Prayer meeting Thursday, 7:00 p. m.

ST. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Corner Ninth and Missouri Sts.
Services every Sunday.
Masses 8:00 a. m. (English sermon); 10:00 a. m. (Spanish sermon).

ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH
E. C. Henderson, in charge

Sunday school, 10:00 a. m.
Morning service, 11:00 a. m.
Young peoples meeting, 6:00 p. m.
Evening service, 7:00 p. m.
Mid-week prayer meeting at the church, 7:00 p. m.
The public is invited to attend all these services.

CHRISTMAS AT THE METHODIST CHURCH

The Christmas program at the Methodist church was given on Christmas eve, which being cold and snowy was not a very favorable time for a program. The primary department gave short exercises, which, as usual, were greatly enjoyed by the audience. This was followed by a pageant, "The Fruits of His Labor," the theme of which was the "Superannate preacher." This was given by the young people of the Epworth League under the direction of the Rev. Higbee and was very successfully presented. A treat was distributed to the members of the Sunday school.

NEW CHARTERS GRANTED

Charters were issued Monday by the state corporation commission at Santa Fe to the National Auto Camps, Inc., and the Repollo Oil Co., the latter a Wyoming concern. Principle offices for both firms will be maintained in Roswell.

DRILLING REPORT

The only newspaper in New Mexico carrying first hand information on the important test wells drilling in southeastern New Mexico. If interested in this section read The Advocate. We give this information a week to ten days ahead of any other paper published in the state. Our constant aim is to get accurate information and when a misrepresentation occurs we are always glad to make a correction.

Eddy County.

Compton No. 2, Mann permit, NW NW sec. 2-18-27:
Drilling below 1100 feet.

Danciger et al., M. E. Turner permit, NE 1/4 sec. 20-17-31:
Shut down.

Eaton and Co., on Brainard permit, NE corner SW 1/4 sec. 5-18-27:
Testing production.

Empire Gas & Fuel Co., Harry Wright No. 1, NW NE sec. 2-18-27:
Preparing to shoot 1600 foot sand.

Empire Gas & Fuel Co., twin well to State No. 1A, in the NW NE NW sec. 2-18-27:
Cleaning out after shot in 400 foot sand.

F. W. & Y. Oil Co., SE 1/4 sec. 10-18-28:
Location.

Hamilton Petroleum Co., Billings No. 1 in sec. 12-19-26:
Swabbing.

Hammond Oil Co., No. 1 in NW SE SW sec. 15-16-25:
Location.

Lackawanna Oil and Refining Co., NE SE sec. 17-16-27:
Rigging up.

Navajo Oil Co., No. 2, SW 1/4 sec. 28-17-28:
Preparing to shoot.

Navajo Oil Co., NE NW sec. 32-17-27:
Location.

Ohio Oil Co., Marland No. 1 SW SW sec. 13-22-29:
Drilling below 500 feet.

Oscar Howard, Etz permit in the NE SE sec. 11-18-28:
No report.

Pueblo Oil Co., center of SE 1/4 sec. 26-17-29:
Location.

Pueblo Oil Co., NW corner sec. 35-17-29:
Moving material.

Prairie Oil and Gas Co., Keel No. 1, SE SE sec. 10-17-31:
Drilling below 1875 feet.

Skelly Oil Co., Lynch permit, sec. 22-17-31:
Capped. To complete after first of year.

Bruce Sullivan No. 1, SW corner sec. 1-18-31:
Shut down.

Wooley & Jones No. 1 Beeson, SE corner sec. 33-17-30:
Shut down at 3457 feet.

Wooley Jones No. 1 McIntire, in center of SE 1/4 sec. 21-17-30:
Shut down at 1493 feet.

Williams Petroleum Co., well No. 5, in sec. 17-18-28:
Drilling below 2880 feet.

Chaves County.

Arena Oil Co., SE 1/4 sec. 24-13-30:
Rigging.

Buffalo Roswell, in sec. 25-11-27:
Shut down at 4010 feet.

F. W. Bozo et al., Kenna No. 1, center east line of NW 1/4 sec. 12-6-31:
Location.

Delmar Oil Co., sec. 22-11-26:
Shut down at 405 feet. 10-inch casing frozen.

Etz, De Vito et al., NW SE sec. 24-11-25:
Shut down.

Gibson Oil Corp., Forsyth No. 1, center NE 1/4 sec. 8-11-23:
No report.

Hall et al., NW 1/4 sec. 8-14-24:
Shut down at 1580 feet.

Sparrow and Drake, Fahrlander No. 1, sec. 11-6-27:
No report.

Texas Company No. 1, Dunken Dome, SW 1/4 sec. 29-17-18:
Drilling below 2560 feet.

Lea County.

Cap Rock Oil and Gas Co., Leonard and Levers well No. 1, SE 1/4 sec. 11-16-32:
Sidetracking rotary tools at 800 feet.

Covert et al., No. 1, NE NE sec. 15-21-33:
Drilling below 1000 feet.

Exploration Company, well No. 1, in the NE 1/4 sec. 25-19-35:
Drilling below 400 feet.

Henderson-Dexter-Blair, Wyatt No. 1, SW SW sec. 34-17-33:
Drilling below 3650 feet.

Inglefield & Bridges, sec. 4-17-34:
Setting 8 1/2 inch casing at 3501 feet

Maljamar Oil and Gas Corp., State No. 1, in the SE 1/4 sec. 16-17-32:
Drilling at 3810 feet.

Grace Mitchell No. 1, in the SW corner sec. 5-17-32:
Sidetracking broken stem at 3660 feet.

T. P. McDonald NE 1/4 sec. 22-18-34:
Shut down at 200 feet.

Ohio Oil Co., Wm. Mitchell No. 1, NE corner SW 1/4 sec. 18-17-32:
Drilling below 4035 feet.

Curry County

Frio Oil Co., Saunders No. 2, in sec. 11, twp. 5N, 35 E.:
No report.

Steinberger et al., No. 1, in the center of the NE 1/4 sec. 21, twp. 3N, 35 E.:
Location only.

Quay County.

Argo Oil Co., sec. 5-7-31:
No report.

Gibson Oil Co., NW 1/4 sec. 25-8-32:
Completed water well.

Ohio Oil Co., sec. 24, twp. 7 N, rg 29 E.:
No report.

DeBaca County.

McAdoo Petroleum Corp., State No. 1, sec. 16-1-27:
No report.

MORROW INTRODUCES LAND GRANT BILL FOR AGRICULTURE COLLEGE

Congressman John Morrow has introduced a bill granting lands to the State Agricultural college "for the purpose of conducting education, demonstrative and experimental development with livestock, grazing methods, and range forage plants." The bill was referred to the house public lands committee.

The lands granted are described as follows:
"All of township 20 south, range 1 west, New Mexico principal meridian; all of township 20, range 1 east, New Mexico principal meridian; all of sections 30 and 31, township 20 south, range 2 east, New Mexico principal meridian; all of the east half of the southeast quarter and the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section 13, and the east half of section 24 township 20 south, range 2 west, New Mexico principal meridian; all of section 1 and the east half of section 12, township 21 south, range 1 west, New Mexico principal meridian; all of township 21 south, range 1 east, New Mexico principal meridian, except sections 24, 25, 30, 31, 32 and 36, and the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section 29 in said township; and all of sections 6, 7, and 18, township 21 south, range 2 east, New Mexico principal meridian."

NOTICE

As a result of a mutual agreement between the out-going and the incoming administration of the Motor Vehicle Department, the penalty for non-registration of motor vehicles will be waived for and during the first 31st days of 1927, or for the MONTH OF JANUARY ONLY. And all those wishing or expecting to escape the penalty should file their applications on or before January 31st, 1927, unless the record, properly verified under oath, will show that such vehicles have not been operated on the highways of the state during 1927 prior to date of application.

R. H. CARTER,
State Comptroller.

OFFICIALS RESIGN

SANTA FE.—Governor Hannett received Monday the resignations of Adjutant General Vincent Jaeger, State Engineer George Neel, and those of Kyle S. Crichton of Albuquerque and Roy M. Jackson, of Aztec from the state publicity commission, all are effective on December 31. R. H. Grissome, state school budget auditor, also is reported to have resigned.

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LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE OF PENDING SUIT

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:
To U. E. Campbell
You are hereby notified that there is a suit pending against you in the District Court of Eddy County No. 4331, wherein Lucy Campbell is the plaintiff and you are the defendant, and that the object of the suit is to obtain a divorce and sever bonds of matrimony between you and the plaintiff and for such other and further relief as to which the plaintiff may be entitled in law and in equity.

You are further notified that unless you answer or otherwise enter your appearance in this suit on or before the 24th day of January, 1927, a judgment will be taken against you by the plaintiff by default and for the demands of the complaint and that J. B. Atkeson whose post office is Artesia, New Mexico is attorney for the plaintiff.

In witness whereof I have set my hand and official seal this the 7th day of December, 1926. (SEAL)

G. W. SHEPHERD,
Clerk of the District Court of Eddy County, New Mexico.
12-9-4t

NOTICE OF MASTER'S SALE

Whereas, an order was made and entered in the case of Cummins Brothers vs. Sandburg Petroleum Company, a corporation, J. P. Mills, John Sandburg, E. A. Fisher and Sandburg & Fisher, a partnership, No. 4522, on the docket of the District Court of Eddy County, by the Hon. Chas. R. Brice, judge of the said Court, on the 10th day of December, 1926, wherein, a decree was rendered foreclosing a lien on certain real and personal property, to-wit:

The NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 of Sec. 9, Twp. 18 S., Range 28 E., and the casing and pipe in the oil well on the said land, One 250 barrel oil tank and 400 feet of two inch pipe, in satisfaction of a judgment rendered by the said Court for work and labor done and performed on the said well in the sum of \$735.00 principal \$58.88 interest, \$75.00 attorney fees and cost of suit \$17.50 and the further cost of carrying this order into effect, and appointing me, F. G. Hartell, special master, to make sale of the said property.

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given that I will sell the said property, or so much thereof as is necessary, to satisfy the said judgment, at public outcry on the 12th day of January, 1927, at 10 o'clock A. M. to the highest and best bidder for cash, at the front door of the Citizens State Bank in the town of Artesia, Eddy County, New Mex. Witness my hand this the 15th day of December, 1926.

F. G. HARTELL,
Special Master.
12-16-4t

ELECTION PROCLAMATION

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the Board of County Commissioners of Eddy County, New Mexico, met in Special Session on this the 22nd day of December, 1926.

Present:
W. G. Brown, Chairman;
G. R. Brainard, District No. 2;
Rich B. Carter, District No. 3;
G. W. Shepherd, Clerk;
E. S. Shattuck, Sheriff.

The following proceedings were regularly had, to-wit:

WHEREAS, by virtue of the laws of the State of New Mexico, it is made the duty of the Board of County Commissioners, to proclaim the Elections that are to be held in the respective counties for the purpose of voting for the candidates for the office of Justice of the Peace and Constable in the various precincts of each county, and to give public notice by publication of the same.

THEREFORE, the Board of County Commissioners of Eddy County, New Mexico, in public session held at Carlsbad, New Mexico, on the 22nd day of December, 1926, having ordered an Election to be held Monday January 10th, 1927, in each Precinct in Eddy County for the purpose of electing one Justice of the Peace and one Constable for the term beginning February 1st, 1927.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, that the said election be held at the following voting precincts in said County as follows, to-wit:

Precinct one, Carlsbad; Precinct two, Malaga; Precinct Three, Hope; Precinct Four, Lakewood; Precinct Five, Loving; Precinct Six, Artesia; Precinct Seven, Dayton; Precinct Eight, Queen; Precinct Nine, Otis; Precinct Ten, Cottonwood; Precinct Eleven, Oil Field.

IT IS THE FURTHER ORDER, that the following named persons are hereby appointed as Judges of Election in the several precincts as hereinbefore set forth, for the Election to be held January 10th, 1927, for the purpose of electing a Justice of the Peace and Constable in each precinct.

Precinct One, Carlsbad:
H. C. Dickson,
J. U. Falke,
L. G. Ryan.
Precinct Two, Malaga:
Arthur Mayes,
J. C. Queen,
Claud Hays.
Precinct Three, Hope:
C. R. Barley,
J. H. Bridgman,
O. M. Scoggin.
Precinct Four, Lakewood:
J. V. Collins,
H. D. Cass,
George McGonagill.
Precinct Five, Loving:
Arthur Donaldson,
G. R. Howard,
W. L. Muggeridge.
Precinct Six, Artesia:
C. M. Cole,
E. C. Gray,

SECRETARY H. WORK ADDRESSES MEETING ON OIL CONSERVATION

Secretary of the Interior Work, as chairman of the President's Oil Board, in response to a request for a statement relative to the adoption of certain resolutions at the recent annual meeting of the American Petroleum Institute at Tulsa, Oklahoma, said:

"The Federal Oil Conservation Board is naturally gratified to know that the oil industry is responding so readily to the suggestions contained in the board's recent report to the President pertaining to national petroleum conditions. Insofar as proposed national legislation is concerned as applying to the development of oil fields and the curtailment of production, this is a matter wholly for the Congress to determine. Modification of the anti-trust laws so that oil production may be more equitably controlled would seem to be desirable if such legislation could be accomplished without nullifying the purpose and force of the Sherman act. The question naturally arises, however, as to whether the Sherman act could be modified so that the modification would apply alone to the production of oil and not to other related products and other channels of interstate commerce.

"In the board's report it was clearly stated that the federal government's power to regulate oil production is doubtless limited to its own oil lands, unless the national defense is imperiled by waste or the exhaustion of the oil supply, yet, at the same time, the board also expressed the opinion that the formulation and adoption of remedial measures permitting a better correlation of underground property rights is of an urgent nature. It must be remembered, however, that the right of the state under its police powers to prevent the action of one owner from working a deprivation of the rights of other owners of the common property by one of the owners is reasonably clear, and if the several oil-producing states would mutually agree to a more rigid protection of property rights in oil produced from a common underground supply it would indubitably have the effect of materially stabilizing production and retarding uneconomic development.

"The board's attitude may be re-emphasized by repeating the language employed in the report, which said that 'Cooperative methods in sane development of new fields to prevent wasteful flush flow and overproduction,' is essential to a more economic management of the oil industry and essential from a national governmental viewpoint if the interests of both Government and industry are to be adequately protected.

"It is hoped that it may soon be generally realized that waste of oil brought to the surface at great expense will increase the cost of oil to the consumer.

"The board welcomes the cooperation of the oil industry and will be glad at all times to cooperate and render such assistance as may be feasible."

Probably Had Both

The man had up a sign, "Eggs and Magazines."
"Got any back numbers?" asked a customer.

Her Method

Mrs. Weldon—How in the world do you manage to keep your wonderful cook from leaving, my dear?
Mrs. Sheldon—By dining out four evenings each week.

Dogged Footsteps

Mrs. Hopkins—So this is your little daughter! How old is she?
Mrs. Joyce—Let me see; she came between little Fido and little Tito.—Pathfinder.

Brass!

Jack—Everything Blank touches turns to gold.
Dolly—I wonder if he'd put his hand on the bracelet you gave me.—Tit-Bits.

J. M. Jackson,
Precinct Seven, Dayton:
J. S. Worley,
Mrs. W. H. Rambo,
W. J. Gushwa.
Precinct Eight, Queen:
Dave McCollum,
Scibay Cox,
W. R. Shattuck.
Precinct Nine, Otis:
R. L. Compton,
R. M. Gorley,
E. R. Poteet.
Precinct Ten, Cottonwood:
John M. Norris,
C. C. Powell,
Lloyd Privett.
Precinct Eleven, Oil Field:
Mrs. Gray Coggin,
Mrs. Pearl Johnson,
Mrs. J. A. Wylie.
Whereupon the Board adjourned subject to call.

W. G. BROWN,
Chairman.

Attest:
G. W. SHEPHERD,
Clerk.
12-23-2t

CRAIG BAKER TELLS STRANGE STORY TO ROSWELL OFFICERS

Craig Baker, a former Artesia boy, appears to have fared rather badly shortly after his visit here last week. Thursday morning he made his appearance at Roswell and told officers there a rather unusual story of how he was beaten and robbed by an unknown person on the previous night. His face and body was badly beaten, but according to his confession to the officers he did not know the person who had beaten him up, as he was drunk at the time.

The identity of Baker's companions has not been revealed, because no complaints have been filed, but officers have investigated the case, although the findings have not been announced. Baker is understood to have stated that he awoke in a car near daylight minus his coat, hat and other belongings. He went and reported the situation to ranchers living nearby and they brought him into Roswell. A stolen car was later reported to have been located near the place Baker spent part of the night, but whether the car had any connection with his disappearance had not been revealed.

NONE NEW TO HIM



"You can't teach an old dog new tricks."
"No, you can't find a trick that's new to him, I suppose."

A Mouthful

Mary had a little lamb,
You've heard this tale before;
But have you heard she passed her plate
And had a little more?

Foresight

"So Blanche is going to marry the young man who saved her from drowning."
"So I understand."
"But is she sure he is able to support her in good style?"
"Oh, yes. She looked him up in Bradstreet before she fell in."

WANTED ON CAR CHARGES

Jos. Ross, wanted in Artesia on charges of driving a car while intoxicated, was arrested here Wednesday night and is being held in jail.—Carlsbad Current-Argus.

FINAL ARRANGEMENTS MADE FOR INAUGURAL PARADE AT SANTA FE

(Santa Fe New Mexican)
Arrangements have been completed for the parade to be a feature of the Dillon inauguration January 1st.

The program follows:
11:15 a. m.
Colonel Norman L. King, 11th Cav., marshal.
Captain H. B. Yontz, 11th Cav., adjutant.

Military escort to the Governor and Governor-elect: Col. D. C. Pearson, Superintendent, N. M. M. I. Lt. Col. F. A. Keyes, Cav., U. S. A., N. M. M. I. Lt. Col. Lester A. Sprinkle, 11th Cav. (Capt. Cav., U. S. A.) Maj. H. P. Saunders, 11th Cav. (Commandant of Cadets, N. M. M. I.). Cadet Officers of Cadet Corps, N. M. M. I.

Governor A. T. Hannett, Governor-elect R. C. Dillon, and Chief Justice Frank W. Parker, escorted by Adjutant General Vincent J. Jaeger. Lt. Governor Edward Sargent, etc. (List of autos for officials and families to be arranged as decided by the executive committee.)
Guard of honor composed of Grand Army of the Republic (in cars); Spanish war Veterans and World war veterans under command of Jesus M. Baca, state commander of American Legion.

Headquarters Detachment, Second squadron, 11th Cav., Santa Fe, Lt. A. S. Barnes.

Troop E 11th Cav., Santa Fe, Captain Robert L. Thornton.

Headquarters Troop, 11th Cav. Albuquerque, Capt. Harry M. Peck.

Troop A, 11th Cav., Estancia, Capt. E. E. Airhart.

Quartermaster Detachment, N. M. N. G., Capt. O. L. Wood.

Boy Scouts, Scoutmaster Clarence L. Bowlds, commanding.

Battalion of Cadets, U. S. Indian School.

Battalion of Cadets, St. Catherine's Indian School.

Line of march: Beginning at De Vargas Hotel, thence north on Don Gaspar Ave., to San Francisco Street, east on San Francisco street to Washington Ave., north on Washington Ave., to Marcy Street, west on Marcy street, to Lincoln Ave., south on Lincoln Ave. to San Francisco street, west on San Francisco street to Galisteo street, south on Galisteo street to the capitol.

BLACK MAGIC

"My wife," boasted Sambo, "is de darkest woman what is. De odder day she cuts her finger an' it bleeds black. Dat's how dark she is."

"Huh!" exclaimed Rastus. "Dat's nuffin' a-tall. De odder night my wife came home with a bad cold and coughing to beat the band, an' nex' mornin' when we wakes up, de room am full ob soot!"

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12-16-tfc-6i

The Old Order Changeth

Soon the new year will be rung in. Accomplishments of 1926 will soon be past history. The young man full of hope for the future will enter the new year joyously because he has much to accomplish. But there are some who will mark the passing of the old year with a tinge of sadness, they realize that they have not lived up to the full measure of their responsibility and that they have not provided for the future as they should. HAVE YOU?

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IT is a big mistake to wait until too late and then try to force your hens for extra eggs! It takes a hen a little time to manufacture eggs. She cannot be rushed. The eggs she lays in the coming months are really started by the feed she gets now.

You do not take a chance when you are feeding Purina Chows. When you buy your Purina Poultry Chows, we will give you, free, egg record blanks, so you can mark on them the extra eggs you get every day. We want you to check up that way, because you'll never buy anything but Purina Chows, once you see what they actually do for you. Start feeding for those extra eggs now.



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A SAD FAMILY REUNION

Picture shows the Olson family gathered around the bier of Clara Olson. Chris Olson and his wife are shown in the foreground. Authorities are still in search of clues, as to the whereabouts of Erdman Olson, suspected slayer of Clara.

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December 21, 1926.
 Assignment of Oil and Gas Lease:
 W. T. Gissler to J. W. Vandagriff, 2 1/2 per cent royalty, NE ENW; SWNW; S 1/2 8; All 11, 14, W 1/2 13; NE; ENW; NSE; 23; NWNW 24; 17-30; H. T. Gissler to J. W. Vandagriff sec. 7, 8, 17, 18, 18-30 S 1/2 J. M. Jackson to J. W. Vandagriff, 2 1/2 per cent sec. 1; E 1/2 12; E 1/2 13; NE 1/4; NENW; SNW; S 1/2 24; N 1/2 NSE; 25; -17-30.
 Deeds:
 Woodbine cemetery to J. W. Vandagriff, E 1/2 23 Blk 15. J. F. Hinkle to Felix Investment Co., Pt. NWSE 21-17-26. J. M. Jackson to Felix Investment Co., NNW 28; SWSW 21; SNE; NSE; 21; SWNW; NWSW; SESW, 22-17-26.
 December 22, 1926.
 Assignment of Oil & Gas Lease:
 W. T. Gissler to E. C. Higgins E 1/2; E 1/2 W 1/2 27; E 1/2; E 1/2 W 1/2 34; all of sec. 35, Twp. 17 S., Range 29 East.
 E. Barker to E. C. Higgins SESE 18; All 13; all 24 except SENW; 21; 25 and 26 Twp. 17 S. Range 29 East.
 E. N. Bigler et al to E. C. Higgins S 1/2 29; E 1/2 30; E 1/2 31; all 33 Twp. 17 S., Range 27; all 5; E 1/2 6, Twp. 18 S., Range 27 E.
 W. D. McIntyre to E. C. Higgins section 9-17-20 and 21, Twp. 17 S., R. 30 East.
 T. W. Whitted to E. C. Higgins SENW 14; N 1/2 SE 21; N 1/2; N 1/2 SW; SENW; SE 1/4 22; all sec. 23; NE 1/4; SWNW; SW 1/4; SWSE 24; W 1/2 E 1/2 sec. 25; E 1/2 NW; SWNW; SW 27; 1/2 NE; SENW; E 1/2 SW; SE 28, Twp. 17 S., Range 27 East.
 Lee Vandagriff to E. C. Higgins NE 1/4; E 1/2 SE 7; W 1/2 NW; S 1/2; SENW 8; all section 17; N 1/2 NW; SENW; NE 1/4; SESE 20; SENW; NE 1/4; E 1/2 SW; SE 1/4 29; SWNE; SENW; SE 1/4 NENE; SENW 31; NENE; E 1/2 SE; SWSE 30-18-27.
 Thomas S. Cox to E. C. Higgins E 1/4; E 1/2 SE 7; W 1/2 NW; S 1/2; SENW 8; all section 17; N 1/2 NW; SENW; NE 1/4; SESE 20; SENW; NE 1/4; E 1/2 SW; SE 1/4 29; SWNE; SENW; SE 1/4 NENE; SENW 31; NENE; SE; SWSE 30-18-27.
 the District Court:
 No. 4257 Judgment. Phillip L. Kirby vs. C. S. Snider, et als 1842.90.
 No. 4352 Order. Carl Smith vs. F. Montgomery, et al.
 December 27, 1926.
 Assignment of Oil & Gas Lease:
 W. T. Gissler to E. C. Higgins E 1/2; E 1/2 W 1/2 27; E 1/2; E 1/2 W 1/2 34; all of sec. 35, Twp. 17 S., Range 29 East.
 Claim Deeds:
 U. McCrary to E. C. Higgins E 1/2; E 1/2 W 1/2 27; E 1/2; E 1/2 W 1/2 34; all of sec. 35, Twp. 17 S., Range 29 East.
 Red Brainard to E. C. Higgins E 1/2; E 1/2 W 1/2 27; E 1/2; E 1/2 W 1/2 34; all of sec. 35, Twp. 17 S., Range 29 East.
 the District Court:
 No. 401 Tax Suit—State of N. M. E. H. Carlton, et als.
 No. 402 Tax Suit—State of N. M. W. J. Gushwa, et als.
 No. 408 Tax Suit—State of N. M. F. R. Zimmerman.
 No. 409 Tax Suit—State vs. T. A. Self, et als.
 No. 412 Tax Suit—State vs. M. Benson, et als.
 No. 413 Tax Suit—State vs. W. T. H. et als.
 No. 414 Tax Suit—State vs. L. L. et als.
 No. 415 Tax Suit—State vs. An. Urquidez, et als.
 No. 416 Tax Suit—State vs. Frank Valin.
 No. 417 Tax Suit—State vs. W. Simpson.

DILLON TO DON DRESS SUIT
 Services from Albuquerque indicate Governor Elect R. C. Dillon will a dress suit to appear at the rural ball, given in his honor Santa Fe Saturday. It is understood that he has already ordered suit from a local tailor.
 Coal Phone 86

Rural News

DAYTON ITEMS
 (Mrs. W. H. Rambo, Reporter)

Miss Camilla Horner spent Christmas day at the McLarry home.
 W. C. Cleveland was here from California the first of last week.

Miss Gladis Burrows spent a few days with Dayton friends last week.

Dr. Gherman left for his home in Illinois Monday to spend the holidays.

W. Scott left for his home in California Tuesday to spend the holidays.

Miss Lenora Harrison spent a few days at the Tom Burrows home last week.

Miss Margarite Meeks, of Artesia spent a few days at the Turnbull home last week.

Wailes Culpepper and family, of Phoenix, Arizona were guests at the Wailes home Thursday.

J. A. Lewis and family left for Crow Flat to spend the holidays with Mrs. Lewis' parents.

Miss Emmaline Kaiser spent the holidays with her brothers, A. A. and George Kaiser at the ranch.

Mrs. Marie Juda, of Panhandle, is spending the holidays with her parents, J. C. Turnbull and family.

Hoyt Owens, Miss Velma Owens and Mrs. Murphy gave Miss Fay McLarry a forty-two party Friday night.

Mr. Smith, Mrs. Cole and daughter, Jeannette Fitzgerald, of El Paso, spent the holiday with their parents, B. Tom Smith and family.

W. H. Rambo and wife were guests at the McLarry home Christmas and enjoyed a fine turkey dinner and all the trimmings.

Otho Brown and wife, of Penasco, were guests at the home of W. C. Marable Wednesday night, and left for Albany, Texas Thursday morning.

Mrs. Bell Simpson and family, of Texas, daughter of Mrs. J. H. Burrows, came home to spend the holidays with relatives and friends in the valley.

Miss Mable Turnbull, of Amarillo, came home Thursday to spend Christmas with her parents, J. C. Turnbull and family, returning Sunday evening.

Mrs. J. S. Worley, who was called to Alabama by the death of her father and later visited friends and relatives in Tennessee, returned home last week.

Don't forget to come to church next Sunday, Rev. Thomas will

HOPE ITEMS
 (Noel L. Johnson, Reporter)

From four to six inches of snow fell here during Christmas. Reports from farther west are that there was six to ten inches.

Those who spent Christmas back at the old home in the east were Bryant Williams and wife, Virgil Craig and wife, Robert Cole and wife.

Several Hope residents have been on the sick list during the past week, but we are glad to report that they are improving. Sim White who has been very ill is slowly recovering. C. R. Coffin, who has been confined to his bed with a bad case of the flu, Elger Fite has also been confined to his bed with a severe cold and Maxwell Johnson has been down with acute pneumonia.

Among those who spent Christmas at Hope were Miss Winnie Miller, of Las Vegas, Miss Kate Miller, of El Paso Gap, Will Wright, of Mayhill, J. E. Johnson, of Borger, Texas, Misses Oleta French and Tennie Prude, of Silver City. Miss Eva White of El Paso, Miss Mary Weddig of California, Mrs. J. T. Dostalik, of Amarillo, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. Hamp Stephens, of Hagerman, J. T. Watts, of the Roswell Institute, Dr. and Mrs. McCrary, of Dallas, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Attebery of Artesia.

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Mrs. Will Sterling, who has been under the care of a physician in Carlsbad for the past two weeks, returned to her home Thursday, and is reported much improved.

A real Christmas in Dayton. Snow commenced falling Thursday evening and the thermometer fell to two degrees above zero, but many families were at the Methodist church where no one was forgotten and the children who could not come to the tree received their presents later. An enjoyable evening was spent at the Christmas tree and the school children gave a very interesting program.

For Coal Phone 86

Mrs. E. M. Elliott
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ALFALFA SEED PRICES ARE UNCHANGED

Growers of alfalfa seed were offered the same average price on December 14 as November 16, according to the United States Department of Agriculture. Prices on both dates averaged approximately \$15.10 per 100 pounds, basis clean, compared with \$14.35 on October 20 and \$14.60 on December 15, 1925.

Declines of 20c-\$1.00 in the prices offered in some producing districts were offset by advances in others. Average prices for the principal producing districts on December 14 follow: western Utah, \$16.60; western South Dakota, \$15.60; Montana and southeastern Nebraska, \$15.55; eastern Utah, \$15.26; Colorado, \$14.70; southern Idaho, \$14.25; western Oklahoma, \$14.20; Kansas, \$13.60; western Texas, \$13.50; and eastern New Mexico, \$13.20.

Growers continued to sell freely during the four weeks ending December 14 and up to this date approximately 80 per cent of the crop had left their hands compared with 75 per cent last month and 50 per cent last year on a corresponding date. During this period movement was most active in eastern Utah, Montana, western South Dakota and western Oklahoma.

Country shippers' figures indicate the following percentage of the crop as having left the hands of growers up to December 14; western Utah and western South Dakota, 90 per cent; eastern New Mexico, 85 per cent; Colorado and southern Idaho 80 per cent; Kansas and western Texas 75 per cent; Montana, 70 per cent; eastern Utah, 65 per cent, and southeastern Nebraska, 45 per cent.

Imports of alfalfa seed (all from Canada) for the first fifteen days of December amounted to 251,600 pounds compared with 364,200 last year. From July 1 to December 15, imports amounted to 1,266,400 pounds compared with 1,021,000 last year, 3,695,800 in 1924 and 6,581,700 in 1923 for the same period.

One hundred and forty-eight New Mexico boys died in the war, according to tabulations announced last week by the War Department.

SOME BURNING NOW



Mr. Woodyby Swelle—Ya-a-s, my dear, I have ancestors to burn.
 She (a trifle bored)—And some that are probably burning now.

A Sad Tale

Here lie the remains of a radio fan, Now mourned by his many relations;
 He filled up his gas tank while smoking his pipe
 And was picked up by twenty-one stations.

Annoying

Mrs. Mature—Are you much worried with borrowing in your neighborhood?
 Mrs. Newlywed—Oh, dear, yes. My neighbors never seem to have what I want.

A B-a-d Man!

Cactus Joe—Say, did you call me a big piece of cheese?
 Alkali Pete—Yes, and if you don't make tracks in a hurry you'll be a big piece of swiss cheese—all full of holes!

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3-requirements
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MRS. LUTHER CARAWAY IS DEAD---BURIAL WAS MADE HERE TUESDAY

The death of Mrs. Luther Caraway, which occurred Monday near the noon hour cast a pall of sadness over the entire community during the holidays. Mrs. Caraway had been ill for two or three weeks, but her condition was not regarded as serious until she took a turn for the worse a short time before she passed away and the announcement of the sad news was a shock to her friends and relatives. Her death was the result of blood poison.

Mrs. Caraway was born and reared in this section and was well known. She was 22 years of age. She leaves to mourn her passing, a husband, Luther Caraway, a mother, Mrs. Messer and sister, Miss Violet Robertson. Funeral services were held at the Methodist church, Rev. C. C. Higbee, officiating, assisted by Rev. L. R. Simmons. Internment was made in the Woodbine cemetery following the funeral services.

PRODUCTION OF FIELD IN 1926 IS 1,700,000 BBL. OF OIL

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to the red sand. The Wyatt No. 1 of H. D. & B. and the Texas Co. is drilling below 3650 feet and will carry the 10-inch hole to the red sand which is looked for close to 3800 feet.

Ingelfield & Bridges are setting 3501 feet of 8-inch and will resume drilling as soon as this is landed. A late report states that the Cap-Rock Oil & Gas Corporation have about succeeded in drilling up the lost fish tail and will start making hole in a few days.

The Wooley-Jones interests have shut down their two wells for the holidays, the No. 1 Beeson in sec. 33-17-30 at 3457 feet and the No. 1 McIntyre in sec. 21-17-30 at 1463 feet.

Everything considered, the past year has been a good one in the Artesia section. Pipe line figures show that close to 1,700,000 barrels have been run to date from the Artesia field, this not including the large amount of crude that has been used for fuel. This is coming from approximately 200 wells, the majority of which have proved consistent producers. The opening of the Maljamar pool in Lea county was the outstanding feature of the year as the completion of this corporation's wildcat on the Baish permit in sec. 21-17-32 opened what is believed to be an oil field of major proportions. Drilled on a government permit that had little to recommend it, the opening of the new field came as a distinct surprise. Since its completion several million acres have changed hands, most of which has been purchased by major companies. That the field will be a large one was evidenced by the second test drilled which, five miles to the west also made a commercial producer. This well, the Skelly Oil Co. No. 1 Lynch has been capped for the past four months awaiting certain legal adjustments. What the year 1927 will be from an oil standpoint is problematical, but the mere fact that the Maljamar, Ohio, Texas, Humble, Skelly, Pure, Empire, Marland, Mid West, Prairie and a number of large independents are all owners of acreage, leads oil men to believe that an active drilling campaign will soon be under way. This, in the opinion of a number of oil operators, will be the opening of a number of new fields.

HIGHWAY AWARDS

At a meeting of the state highway commission, which is now in session at Santa Fe, it is thought probably that the six federal aid projects in McKinley and San Juan counties will not be let at the present session. Indications are that the three others will, one in Quay county, a bridge in Santa Fe and a viaduct in Las Cruces.

WANTED—Clean cotton rags at Advocate Office.

PICKED UP ON MAIN

"Can't Agree on Dam Pact"—headline in the New Mexico State Tribune.

"Who Gets the Coal at Your House?"—headline in Current-Argus. That's what we'd like to know.

A member of the editorial staff of the Advocate lost his pipe this week, after smoking some home grown tobacco given us by Jimmy Robertson, the next morning, however, the lost pipe was waiting for us at the office door.

After reading about poisoned whiskey causing several deaths, we pause to ask "Who's your boot-legger?"

Dave Runyan, vice president of the Artesia Whittlers Club requests us to announce that the meetings of the organization will be resumed as soon as the snow melts from the iron benches at the bank corner.

John Richards, who is a born optimist, expresses hope that the New Year will bring him a bride.

EDDY CO. OFFICIALS WILL BE INDUCTED TO OFFICE ON NEW YEARS

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special appeal to the ordinary aspirant. However, it had no terrors for him and he has made Eddy county a good officer at a time when qualified officials were needed. Mrs. Dillard's experience in the office of county superintendent will enable her to render valuable service to the rural schools and this Mrs. Dillard will do.

We have a vague suspicion that G. R. Brainard thinks the fellow was right who said the first two years are the hardest, especially if it is applied to the job of county commissioner for the past two years. Mr. Brainard, who was elected commissioner for his first term in 1924, took office just at the time when valuations were lowest and the county's finances were very much depressed. It took courage to stay on the job and try to do with less than nothing to do with, but this was just what Mr. Brainard and the other commissioners did. Today of course the outlook is much brighter and many of the county matters have been systemized in such a manner that more effective work can be done at the least cost to the taxpayer.

Joe Johns, a very popular county official will take the helm of the sheriff's office on New Year's. Mr. Johns has served the public before and his ability as a county official has been pretty well demonstrated. Rich Carter, a commissioner from the south end of the county will retire in favor of Hollis Watson, having served his allotted time. Mr. Watson has served as commissioner before and is familiar with the duties of this office. Mr. Watson is regarded as an authority on the county's finances and should make a valuable addition to the commissioners court.

Mrs. Thelma T. Lusk assumes her duties as county clerk at this time, however, so far as the discharge of the duties of this office is concerned the change will make no difference, as Mrs. Lusk has had ten years experience in this office and can give an uninterrupted service.

John Lewis, who was elected to the office of county surveyor without opposition, will go right ahead with his work after the first of the year. Mr. Lewis' experience in this office makes him very capable for this position.

L. L. FEATHER ANNOUNCES FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

L. L. Feather, of Artesia authorizes us to announce his candidacy for reelection to the office of Justice of the Peace. Mr. Feather is serving his first term as Justice and so far as we know has made a very satisfactory official. During the past two years, this office has played an important part in the affairs of our city. Mr. Feather has established a record since its induction to the office that he can well be proud of and one that speaks for itself. He will appreciate the support and influence of every voter.

Legal Blanks—Advocate

LOCAL

W. G. Ross was a Roswell visitor yesterday.

L. L. Feather is confined to his home this week by a severe cold.

Sterling Ward spent Christmas with "Buster Kellum in Santa Fe.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Sampson spent Christmas with relatives in Carlsbad.

Mrs. R. L. Carr and Miss Vesta Frisch motored to Roswell yesterday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Watson, yesterday evening, the 29th, a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McGinn have returned from a Christmas visit to El Paso.

Kelly Polk returned to Abilene, Texas Sunday after spending Christmas with home folks.

R. F. Hare, agricultural stacion, estimates that there are 1,300,000 head of sheep on the Navajo reservation.

Mr. and Mrs. George Threlkeld returned home Tuesday evening from their holiday trip to Chickasha, Oklahoma.

J. E. Bowman made a business trip to Carlsbad Tuesday. He was accompanied by Mrs. Bowman and Miss Rose Bowman.

Miss Keith Trammel, who was visiting at the home of her uncle, Tex Polk, departed yesterday for her home at Sweetwater, Texas.

Lloyd Atkeson will return tomorrow to Corpus Christi, Texas, after spending ten days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Atkeson.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Whitcomb, who are now located at Albuquerque, are spending the holidays with Mrs. Whitcomb's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Ward.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Dunn had the misfortune to lose their infant son on the 23rd inst. The baby was born on the 21st and weighed only two and a half pounds.

Presiding Elder Cochran, and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cochran and baby, of Roswell, ate Christmas dinner at the Methodist parsonage, guests of Rev. and Mrs. Higbee.

Mr. and Mrs. Neville Muncy and little daughter, Florine, went to Roswell yesterday for a short visit to Mrs. Muncy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Brookshier.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Leigh are visiting friends in Artesia this week. Mrs. Leigh will be remembered as Miss Florence Rittman, who taught in the public schools here last year.

Mrs. Lillie Sheridan and Mr. and Mrs. S. Q. G. Grst. of Magdalena, are holiday guests at the home of W. H. Cobble. Mrs. Sheridan is the mother and Mrs. Garst, the sister of Mrs. Cobble.

Willis Morgan came on Friday from El Paso, Texas, to spend Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Jessie Morgan, and the Misses Esther and Ruth Morgan. He went back to El Paso Monday.

Rankin Kimbrough, of El Paso, was the guest of his brother, A. C. Kimbrough, and family, Saturday and Sunday. Mr. Kimbrough and a party of friends were over in this vicinity on a hunting trip.

Mrs. John Dennis and Mr. and Mrs. Felix Dennis came down from Roswell Tuesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Luther Caraway. Mrs. John Dennis is an aunt, and Mr. Dennis, a cousin of Mr. Caraway.

Mr. and Mrs. George Brookshier, with their children, spent Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. Neville Muncy, and family. Mrs. Muncy's brother, Boucher Brookshier, was also here from Silver City, where he is a student at the State Normal.

Herbert Muncy, who has a position with an electrical company at Santa Fe, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Muncy. His wife and baby, who have been staying with her mother at Hope during his absence, joined him for the visit to his parents here.

Mrs. Alex G. Sarad, wife of Alex Sarad, one of the proprietors of the Busy Bee Cafe here, was carried to Roswell Tuesday in an ambulance suffering with a severe attack of appendicitis. She underwent an operation at St. Mary's hospital this morning and is reported to be resting well.

Mrs. J. P. Hare, arrived Tuesday from a trip to New York, and is with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Ward, for the vacation. Mr. Hare, who is salesman for the Michelin tires, recently won a prize for being the second highest salesman the company has in the whole United States. The prize was a trip to New York and other eastern cities, and as a further mark of approval the company gave the trip to Mrs. Hare also. Mr. Hare's territory is New Mexico with one county in Texas, obviously not the most promising territory in the country, but he scored just the same.

DID YOU EVER STOP TO THINK?

By E. R. Waite

John M. Weekley, editor of the Ennis (Texas) Daily News and four associated weeklies, says:

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The constant advertiser is the one who gets and holds the business.

HOPE WINS FROM LAKE ARTHUR

The Hope boys basketball team won a close game from Lake Arthur Saturday by a score of 13 to 12. The Hope girls team won from the Lake Arthur girls team by a score of 17 to 7.

BADGER VERSUS BULLDOG

A crowd gathered at the rear of the Justice of the Peace office Monday morning to witness a battle royal between the bulldog belonging to M. Stevenson and a badger brought into town that morning. Owing to the muddy grounds the fight was not as thrilling as might have been and truce was finally declared after both the dog and badger had been wallowing in the mud without advantage for either side.

HOSPITAL MEETING

A mass meeting of the citizens of Eddy county will be held at the city hall, Carlsbad, on January 7th, at 2:00 o'clock p. m. This meeting will be for the purpose of electing directors of the members of the Eddy County Hospital Association. Also a complete report of the year's work will be given.

Judge G. U. McCrary returned yesterday from Austin, Texas, where he spent the holidays with relatives.

Rev. Terry and wife are spending the holidays with their children in Oklahoma. They went to Oklahoma especially to be present at the marriage of a niece, Miss Beulah Stroud, and at which Mr. Terry was to be the officiating minister. Tom Terry and family also went to Oklahoma for the wedding.

E. P. Bach was among the Christmas shoppers here Friday. Mr. Bach is farming the piece of ground just east of the bridge and during the past year he established his reputation as a grower of sweet clover. We think he has a little story in connection with his experience with clover during the past year and this will no doubt be interesting to many farmers as soon as he is ready to release it.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bowman entertained at Christmas dinner in honor of their granddaughter, Miss Thelma Huffman, of El Paso. Miss Huffman is a former Artesia girl, but at present is making her home in El Paso. Those present at the dinner besides the honor guest, were Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Bowman and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wright and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bowman and family and Miss Rose Bowman, of Dallas, Texas.

He Remembered It

Wife—You think so much of your old golf you don't even remember when we were married.

Hub—You bet I do. It was the day after I sank that thirty-foot putt.

Music to His Ears

"Dad must have tuned in on some music. He's dancing. Using a high step, too."

"He caught a favorable market report."

Neighbors

"Are you studying music by mail?"

"Yes sir."

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Chinese Marriage Rule

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WORKING ON CANAL BRIDGE

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