

Pecos Valley News.

A Newspaper for the Homeseekers and the Homebuilders of the Middle Valley

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NO. 17



REV. W. H. SCRIVNER
Evangelist
Pastor of Christian Church
Beloit, Kansas

Rev. Scrivner has been engaged to conduct a series of meetings at the Christian church here, and will leave Beloit Tuesday, Jan. 21. He should reach here Wednesday night but owing to the uncertain train service, it is thought better not to announce services earlier than Friday night of that week. Further announcements will be made. Rev. Scrier will remain about three weeks.

All the christian people of the town and those who are not members of any church and especially singers are cordially invited to attend and assist in this meeting.

College in Growing

There is anything on earth will build up a town and be active to the man looking for a location it is a good college. We see such a one here in Artesia; in infancy it is true, but growing every day and attracting students from every part of the Valley and even other sections of the country. The college is located in the western part of town on a small rise which overlooks the whole country. It is in charge of one of the best educators in the southwest, Mr. Marshall McIlhany, who has raised the question of educating young people for many years and is thoroughly capable of performing the work he has undertaken. His aim is not only to make the college first-class from what is usually termed an educational standpoint, but also to fit boys and girls for right living and for the practical struggle of life.

Our College is young yet, and the pupils are few, but it is growing just like everything else in the Middle Valley. The time is not far off when it will be recognized as one of the best colleges in the west and Artesia will be honored by having it situated here.

I am prepared to do plowing or ditching for assessment or crops.
18 tf-24
M. D. Tuttle.

Artesia College

Spring term will commence about the first week in February. It will continue four scholastic months. Pupils received at any time. We hope to have the co-operative boarding plan for boys and young men for spring term. For information, call on address

M. McILHANY

THE ALBUQUERQUE TRADE EXCURSION.

Business Men Coming to See Us in February

The Albuquerque Business Men's Excursion will visit the Pecos Valley the first week in February coming by way of the Belin cut-off.

They are coming to see what we have in the favored spot and we must see to it that they are favorably impressed with the surroundings and with the Artesia country in particular.

A trade excursion will come from El Paso in the near future and it is time that we were up and doing that we may be in the best possible shape to receive them when they arrive.

The News suggests that a meeting of the Commercial Club be called that the necessary steps for the entertainment of the visitors may be arranged for. Four weeks is a short time and we should have everything in readiness when they come.

The Pass Word

What does it denote? Plenty. How represented? By an artesian well and a spring of alfalfa.

How did it originate? In a quarrel between the Artesians and the men of Carlsbad, the Artesians had long been a turbulent and rebellious people, whom Cameron strove to subdue out without avail.

The Artesians being highly incensed at not being invited to share in the rich spoils of the tax receipts, gathered together a mighty army and fraught with vengeance across the Pecos.

Cameron gathered together the men of Carlsbad, gave them little and put them to flight.

To make his victory the more complete, he stationed Mullins at the passage at Dayton, with these instructions, if any attempt to pass this way, say ye unto them, say now unto us, Cameron, but they being of a strange people, could not frame to speak the word aright and called it, New-sirk instead. Which trifling distinction proved them enemies and cost them the country.

And there fell upon that day twenty and two hundred of the Artesians. Since that time this word has been adopted as the pass word to gain admission into the ring of Carlsbad.

Contributed

The real estate firm of Clayton, Talbot & Terrill has dissolved partnership. Messrs Talbot and Terrill retiring. Mr. Clayton who is the oldest real estate man, in point of residence, in Artesia will continue the business at the office of the firm and as he is well acquainted with the business and controls much desirable property he is certain to succeed.

A WATCH MEETING

Numbers Watched the Old Year Out and Welcomed the New Year at the Presbyterian Church

The old year, 1907, with its joys and its sorrows, its hopes and its fears, its successes and its failures was bidden farewell by a large number who assembled at the church to watch the old year depart and hail with renewed hopes and anticipation, the advent of 1908.

By eight o'clock the house was well filled and the rehearsing of an interesting programme began. The first number was a recitation, "The True Story" by little Violet Robertson who, while she was enthusiastically encored; did not respond.

The solo by Miss Daisy Hoffman was well received and the "Brownie Drill" afforded amusement for all. The Indian as usual showed his lack of drill.

Miss Candices Cramer favored the audience with a solo which was well rendered and afterwards recited a dramatic selection and in response to an energetic encore gave a humorous selection. Miss Cramer certainly poses talent as a declaimer. The vocal duet by Mr. and Mrs. Erb was an interesting feature of the evening entertainment. Mrs. Corbin, who during her short stay, has become popular as a vocalist, favored the audience with two selections, the last in response to a prolonged encore.

The drill by the young ladies showed patient care on the part of the trainer and was well executed. The programme closed with two well arranged tableaux.

Following the programme, an hour was spent socially during which time light refreshments were served in the lecture room.

The devotional exercises commenced at eleven o'clock and closed with the departure of the old year. The services consisted of songs, prayers and talks by several who were present.

Those who were there will remember this as one of the most pleasant evenings spent in Artesia and will enter upon the new year with brighter hopes because of these pleasant associations.

The St. Cecilia-High School

Musical Concert under auspices of the Mothers Club for the benefit of the High School Piano Friday evening January 3, 1908, at 8 p. m.

PART I

Scarf Dance, Schamanade, Miss Boose.

When the Heart is Young, Dudley Buch, Mrs. Corbin.

Soaring, Schubert, Mrs. W. E. Ragsdale.

The Wood Bird's Song, Mrs. Reed and Mrs. Birney.

Waiting for Thee, R. R. Beatty.

The Palms Leyback, Miss Vivian Newkirk.

Violin Solo, Selected, E. C. King.

Polish Dance, Schamanade, Miss McIlhany.

Let Me Love Thee, Orati, Mrs. Jno. Enfield.

La Zingana, Bohner, M. L. Garrison.

Bridal Chorus, Cowen, Ladies Chorus.

PART II

So Long Mary, Mrs. Corbin, and Chorus.

Drums of the Fore and Aft, Rosa Wetig and drummer girls.

Life is a See-saw, Miss Rice and Mr. William.

School Days, Miss Kramer and Chorus.

Japanese Love Song, Mrs. Enfield and Geisha Girls.

Cheyenne Girls, Miss Childress and Chorus.

Beef, Pork, Veal and Mutton. Artesia Market.

Report of the Condition of

The Bank of Artesia at close of business on Dec. 31, 1907.

RESOURCES.

Loans on Real Estate	\$12,445.85
Loans on Collateral	3,990.00
Security other than Real Estate	11,122.29
Loans, all other	77,403.35

\$101,971.49

Due from other Banks and Bankers	\$66,803.47
Cash on hand	12,283.14

Total Cash and Sight Exchange

\$79,086.61

Real Estate, Furniture and Fixtures

\$188,596.74

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock

\$ 30,000.00

Surplus

3,990.00

Undivided profits

2,042.33

Deposits

\$153,468.41

Cashiers Checks Outstanding

86.00

Territory of New Mexico, County of El Paso, ss:

I, John B. Enfield, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

John B. Enfield, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day of January, 1908.

(Seal) J. E. Sweptson, Notary Public.

Corrected: A. V. Logan, J. C. Gage, R. A. Eaton, Directors.

Cottonwood Items

Mrs. Lou May was in Lake Arthur Thursday.

The Standcliff well rig is down about 650 feet with prospects for a good well.

Mr. Wood and family spent Christmas day with Lake Arthur friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Lewis attended the dinner given by the Methodist ladies of Lake Arthur Christmas day and report lots of good things to eat.

The program given at the Cottonwood school house Christmas eve while not an extensive one was a success in every feature. The pupils of the school did their work well. Santa Claus was there as jolly and good looking as ever. The children enjoyed him very much.

Mr. and Mrs. Randolph were Artesia visitors Thursday.

Mrs. Claude May was shopping in Lake Arthur Saturday.

Mr. Whitehorn was in Lake Arthur Saturday.

Miss Ida Baker returned home last week from an extended visit at Canyon, Tex.

The Finkenduber Bros. well rig is down about 1500 feet.

Mr. Mull, the well inspector was seen passing through this part looking after the wells last week.

Mrs. McMillian was in Lake Arthur last week.

Mr. Anderson and Mr. Smith have sold their farms on Cottonwood each realizing a nice price therefor.

BIG INCREASE AT DEPOT

Receipts for December 1907 Show Increase of \$3,000 Over December 1906--Receipts Over \$15,000

Last week one of the papers up the line was patting itself on the back because the depot at their town ran over \$100 per day. This was very good for that size town but when it comes to the real thing just look at Artesia. The total receipts for last month were something over \$15,000, or over \$500 per day. This is an increase of over \$3,000 on the receipts of December of 1906. The increase on November 1907 over November 1906 was \$2700 showing that the amount of business is increasing all the time, and of course also the company's profits.

This kind of statistics, together with those gathered from the smaller towns up and down the line, will be a great showing in the next county seat fight. Owing to the vast amount of alfalfa which was put in this year, the records for shipping will be broken time and again next year.

A letter received at this office this week from Delegate W. H. Andrews states that he is at work on the proposition to secure a postponement of the assessment work on desert land entries and hopes to secure not only this but an extension of the time for the proving up on such entries.

FOR SALE

Artesia College Property

As a whole or in blocks the community, it seems to me, would do well to buy this property and offer it to the Methodist church to be placed by the Methodists in their great correlated system of higher education. By this means the thought and sympathy of an immense religious force would be attracted our way; and, through these people, would come to us large financial aid.

Or

If thought best let the community organize and put forth an earnest and intelligent effort to secure and build up the College FOR ARTESIA, who can measure the large results of good that would come to us and ours from such an achievement!

I have done all that I can do. If I cannot get help I have given up.

Do not let the College enterprise fail. Who will take the initial.

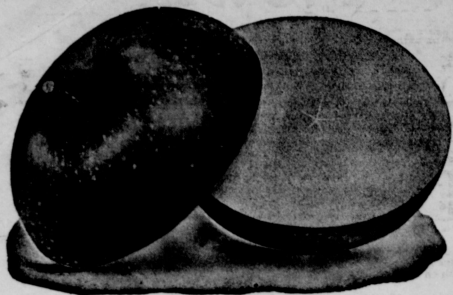
M. McILHANY

To The People of Artesia

And other readers of this paper: The firm of Clayton, Talbot & Terrill have dissolved partnership, E. Clayton remaining alone in the real estate business and may be found at the office of the former firm where he is ready to meet prospective purchasers in all kinds of land in tracts from five acres up to as large a body as anyone will desire. I have also desirable town lots and property to suit all purchasers.

E.A. Clayton

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PEGOS VALLEY NEWS

Entered at the Post-office Artesia, N. M. as Second Class matter, Oct. 7, 1906

D. L. NEWKIRK, Proprietor.
J. F. NEWKIRK, Editor.

\$1.50 A YEAR

Thank You

This is the first issue in the New Year for the PECOS VALLEY NEWS and we wish to take this means of thanking the people of the Middle Valley who have so liberally supported this paper during the past year. The people of the Middle Valley have endorsed the NEWS as is shown by the fact that we have more subscribers in the middle than any other paper—whether published here or elsewhere. The merchants have endorsed us and we can point with pride to our advertising columns which contain only the best class of advertising and never have and never will contain any patent medicine ads. In this matter the NEWS is in a class by itself in Eastern New Mexico. Our motto for this year as for last will be, "Print the News." Once again thanking you all, we wish you a happy and prosperous 1908.

THE PECOS VALLEY owes much to the dailies of the Territory for the free advertising they have given this section, although after all it is a sort of pride in home institutions which causes those on the other side of the mountains to boost this part of the Territory. One paper that has done more than any other to draw attention to our Valley is the Albuquerque Citizen, whose editor, Wm. F. Brogan, was a member of the Governor's party when that dignitary paid a visit to us a short time ago. We copy below a portion of an editorial which appeared in that paper of Dec. 24, which relates to the Valley and regret that we have not space to publish the entire article.

William F. Brogan, managing editor of The Citizen, has returned from a trip over the Belen cut-off and through the Pecos Valley. He is engaged in preparing a number

of articles on that section of New Mexico. He will write of what he saw in a conservative manner. It is impossible to enter into details as concerning each locality because time and space would not permit. But Mr. Brogan will write along general lines of the condition, the land's, the magnificent resources, etc.

This city, always first in the ranks of progress in the south west, must be more neighborly. We must become better acquainted with the people in the land to the south. We must invite them here, we must visit them in their homes and we must get into the field personally for trade, for business of all kinds and for mutual benefit.

The Pecos Valley is a garden spot on earth. It is a second Eden in New Mexico and we who live in this section of the territory, can not comprehend the wonderful changes that have taken place—making wealth and prosperity out of the cattle ranges of long ago.

Beautiful homes, fertile farms, spouting artesian wells, trees, grass and all kinds abound in the Pecos valley. Her citizens are wide awake Americans, who are putting every acre under the plow, inducing their fellow men from the four quarters of the globe to settle up on the still remaining acres and in every way advancing the most wonderful spot on the globe.

The cliff dwellings, the ancient churches, the historic settlements, the hundreds of monuments that mark history in our section of the territory, sink into semi-insignificance as compared with the greatest wonder of modern times—the artesian belt of the southwest.

MANY are saying in this day, "Lo, here is relief," but the NEWS admonishes all who really desire reform in county governmental affairs to wait. In certain quarters there is a spasmodic effort to rally support to a movement which has for its object a continuation in office of the same element that has managed the affairs of Eddy county all these years during which time our taxes have assumed alarming proportions. A few individuals have succeeded in arousing sufficient enthusiasm to boost themselves into office and every-

time the boosters have paid the fiddler. There is no occasion for this community to be stirred up nearly an entire year over political matters. The people should quietly attend to their private affairs until the proper time and then dispose of this matter as best suits themselves. The "boost me into office" fellows are the only ones making any noise now, and as they have had years of experience this noise making is not likely to prove fatal. Every time you hear this wail for reform look over your tax receipt and then reflect as to who has had charge of affairs in Eddy county for the past fifteen years. Keep cool, keep free from any entanglements or pledges and be in readiness to place a vote for the burdened tax payer when opportunity affords.

ROSWELL has been doing more in the past few weeks to get free advertising than any other town in the valley has in the past year. First came the saloon fight and the El Paso Herald advertised that. The doctors of the Queen have contributed their share for the amusement in the "investigation" which fizzled gently out. A Roswell undertaker was caught in the act of telephoning for the job of burying a man who was expected to die in a few days and as far as the catcher could make out the doctor in charge was to get a rake off in case the man died—well not that either, but in case this particular undertaker got the job. To top off this run of warm doings a Roswell minister has resigned to run for County office.

In another year, the county division question will be a live issue. Experience at the last meeting of the legislature proved to us that we had not acted wisely in political matters preceding the attempt to secure the creation of Artesia county and we may make the same mistakes in the future and thereby prevent the securing of county rights. Some are prone to neglect the good of the whole community simply to secure small personal favors and already this selfishness is apparent. We were altogether, hand in glove, when the recent effort was inaugurated, but soon many like Peter of old were following afar off. They even swiped the script bag, making it necessary to create another, and the petitions were unceremoniously contrabanded. In view of these facts it were well for us to proceed cautiously. The important issue before the people of this community is the creation of a new county with Artesia as the county seat. The success of a business enterprise, the election of a certain man to office, the preference of a political party and especially the venting of personal prejudices are insignificant matters compared with the securing of county rights. As a community we are pledged to this issue and we believe that as a community we will stand by these pledges. The man who violates that pledge will as readily violate another and is unworthy your confidence.

THAT the people of Carlsbad and their official organ are at last the recipients of a little light is well illustrated by an editorial in last week's Current in which Col. Bill recognized the strength of Artesia by stating that she could defeat the Carlsbad bridge if she wished to do so. It is gratifying to learn that a little common sense has at last filtered into Col. Bill's head even though it be an infinitesimal amount.

No doubt the Register-Tribune lays awake long into the night worrying about what the Record says.

Transfer Line.

Am prepared to do all kinds of hauling. When in need of such work, phone No. 24. When not busy, I will be found in front of Brainard Hardware Company.

T. T. Kuykendall.

Please Settle Up

All creditors will please come in and settle up before January 1, as I am needing the money.

J. O. RICHARDS.

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For 81 years have maintained their record—HIGHEST QUALITY, LOWEST PRICE. We offer the only GENUINE STOCK of the superb new fruits KING DAVID, DELICIGUS, BLACK BEN, CHAMPION and SENATOR Apples; BANNER, SUNRISE Grapes, GOLD Plum, FAME Pear, etc. Finest stock in the U. S. of leading commercial sorts. WE PAY CASH WEEKLY and want more Salesmen. Price list, Etc. FREE.

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We wish to thank all our patrons for the hearty support they have given us since we have been in Artesia, and wish to solicit a continuance of their patronage, as on and after the first of November we will sell strictly for cash. Our new line of goods will be NEW and UP-TO-DATE in every sense of the word. Having purchased our goods for cash we will be in a position to give you BARGAINS that will be inviting to one and all.

JONES BROS.

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DENTAL SURGEON
Crown, Bridge Work and Orthodontia a specialty. All work guaranteed. Office over City Drug Store. Phone 5.

ROSE LAWN
5 to 7 acre suburban lots will be advanced in price November 1. 45 acres of the subdivision are being needed to fill up this fall. A contract for an artesian well is let. 10 or 15 acres more of orchards and grape vines will be planted this winter. 1,000 more constant-blooming roses will be planted on the avenue. These tracts, ideal for homes and small orchards, with domestic water main, and artesian-well irrigation system, with annual water rental, are on sale to actual home builders. If this is what you are looking for, call on or address
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Artesia, New Mexico.

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All kinds of transfer and drayage at reasonable prices.

W. J. Williamson.
Artesia - - - - - N. M.

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At Pecos Via Key News Office
ARTESIA, NEW MEXICO

Artesia Market

CHRISTMAS is past but we are ever present with the best obtainable in our line. We appreciate your patronage during the year and hope to merit the continuance of the same.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

Artesia Market

M. M. INMAN
PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON
Office Phone 155 Residence 128
Artesia, New Mexico

FOR SALE, two fine black Langshan roosters. Call at the News office.

LOST—A light brown mare mule. Small brand on left shoulder resembling figure 2. Ten dollars to anyone putting her up and notifying.

Evans & Bond, Roswell, N. M.
Sperry & Lukins have a new machine for tapping the new water pipes.

Talk of the Town

New Year
Jan. 1
1908
Happy New Year
To all our
Many readers
And to all who
Should read the NEWS
Come in and subscribe
Even if you do not like
Our politics and religion
It is the news that you want
And in the NEWS you will find it
May your shadow never grow less
And your purse only \$1.50 lighter
SUBSCRIBE FOR THE NEWS.

B. Stevenson, who has been in Roswell for some time returned home Monday.

Beef, Pork, Veal and Mutton. Artesia Market.

For interesting reading matter, this issue of the NEWS takes the cake. Pass it along.

The editor expects to leave for the mountains some time this month and just before he leaves will tender the spinsters of Artesia the same courtesy shown the bachelors in this issue.

Dr. P. M. Baker left this week for Chicago to have his bad eye treated. He caught cold in his eye sometime ago although some of the boys insist that it was other trouble.

Abe Connor has accepted a position as cook on Butler's well rigs. Phone 8. Choice meats.

Harry Hamilton is sporting a new kady of a delicate brown tint, but he only wears it when he is out of town.

J. R. Blair was attending to business for the Pecos Valley Immigration Co. in Lakewood this week.

I am prepared to do plowing or ditching for assessment or crops. 18-1f-24
M. O. Tuttle.

Mrs. A. L. Livingston, of Russellville, Ark., is making a tour of the west and is visiting Mrs. A. Durring of Dayton. Mrs. Livingston is spending a few days with Mrs. Jo Jacobson, of this place.

SOOTER. He may not suit you personally, but he has a line of native corn chops and corn that will SUIT YOU. Also cobs for kindling.

Mr. Bob is Coming

A very pretty little comedy will be presented at the local opera house (referred to in times of peace as the Logan & Dyer Building) Friday night Jan. 10. It is for the benefit of the Artesia Public Library, and if for no other reason than that it should be well attended. However, if the play is as good as those formerly given by Artesia local talent, it will be well worth the money not counting the good cause for which it is given. The cast of characters is as follows:

Aunt Becky, Miss Ross.
Jenkins (the Butler), Prof. Botts.
Phillip Payson, Mr. Nimitz.
Katherine, Miss McIlhany.
Marion Bryant, Miss Childress.
Robert Brown, D. L. Looney.
Patty, Mrs. Skaer.

It was reported that "Mr. Bob" was to be the 26 of December, but he evidently is coming on the Pecos Valley train and cannot arrive sooner.

New Horse Cart House

The city has at last woken up to the fact that it is necessary for the horse carts to have proper shelter from the wild wintry blasts and also that they must be located in some central position. A small house is being built on the ground back of the Bank of Artesia to accommodate the carts and it is also about as centrally located as could be secured for the purpose.

The boys are still drilling and if we are so very unfortunate to have a fire they will be right there on the ground ready to do effective work. It is to be hoped that the insurance men will cut a little on their rates, it being claimed all along that the high insurance rates were caused by lack of fire protection.

Phone 8 for choice meats.

Hope Notes

Mr. W. S. Medefall, of Gentryville, Indiana came here for his health but he is so well that he make this his home. His family will come here soon.

Mr. H. W. Morris of Roswell is visiting his daughter Mrs. Handle.

Mrs. C. W. White and daughter Mabel of Princeton, Indiana, are visiting Dr. White and wife and will stay until spring.

Mr. John Eakins barn was burned yesterday. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Miss Artie McMahon spent the holidays with her parents at Artesia.

Mr. Beal and family moved to Lower Penasco last week.

A number of gentlemen of Alamogordo passed through our burg Monday on a hunting expedition down the Penasco river.

Prof. Botts and wife of Artesia are spending the Holidays at Hope.

The party given at Mr. and Mrs. George Grahams Saturday night was an enjoyable occasion by all present.

Miss Minnie Potter who has become so acclimated with Hope that she will come back to attend school again.

Rev. Cox did not preach Sunday as he was called to the bedside of his mother who was not expected to live through the day (Sunday).

Mrs. Cox is suffering with a stroke of paralysis. She is not expected to get over this attack.
Primus.

The January Woman's Home Companion

The Woman's Home Companion for January begins well with a handsome and showy cover design by James Montgomery Flagg. It is a notable number from the standpoint of illustrations. In addition to Flagg's striking cover design, there is a full page reproduction of W. Wallace Ker's painting, "Forgotten." It represents a winter farm scene, the house and barn in the distance, and the old family horse standing drearily by the pasture bars, ankle deep in the falling snow—forgotten.

Dr. Hale's Monthly Talk is on the subject of "New Year's Wishes." Jack London contributes the first letter of his important series of first-hand impressions for which the Woman's Home Companion sent him around the world; it is the record of a marvelous adventure among the lepers of Molokai. In the January number begins a series of programs and selections of the music of to-day of the great music-loving nations. The January program, which is American, is supplemented by the music and words of two songs by Clayton Johns, hints as to the making of a program, by Madame Nordica, and instructions as to the rendering of each piece on the program by the composers themselves.

Among the fiction is an important installment of Mrs. Elizabeth Stuart Phelps' great novel, "Though Life Us Do Part"; "The Adjusted Honeymoon," by Anne Warner; "A Lesson in Consequence," by Mary Wilhelmina Hastings; "Rose Mary," a Quaker love story by Carrie Hunt Latta, and "The Lamps of Psyche," by Zona Gale, author of the popular novel, "The Loves of Peleas and Ehtarre."

An interesting feature of this issue of the Companion is a new department entitled "Teens and Twenties," conducted by Lucy Norman. The horticultural authority, Samuel Armstrong Hamilton, contributes a valuable article on "Plants for the Winter Window." Anna Steese Richard, son's department for The Girl Who Earns Her Own Living is as valuable as ever, as is Mrs. Sangster's Home Page.

Notice

Parties dumping rubbish along the right of way of the Santa Fe are hereby notified to discontinue same.
C. L. Henry
Section Foreman.

\$7.00 per ton. The kaffir corn heads alone will make over two and half tons per acre. See John S. Major.

JOHN W. POE, Pres. A. V. LOGAN, V. Pres.
JOHN. B. ENFIELD, Cashier.


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BEST WISHES FOR A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

R. M. ROSS, CASHIER
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Impressions of a Tenderfoot

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Directory of Bachelors.

Yesterday was the first day of Leap Year and as it has always been the custom of the News to give all the help possible to worthy enterprises we have decided to publish a list of the eligible bachelors of Artesia together with the places where they generally hang out so that the fair ones who are already here and those who arrive on the next excursion will have no difficulty in making a choice.

EZRA HIGGINS: A tall slender bean pole of uncertain age who is a large property owner of the middle valley and is therefore considered "well fixed." He is of very pleasing disposition and always dresses in the height of fashion provided fashion is not too high. Has an office over the postoffice

and boards at the Gibson Hotel although he is now sojourning in parts unknown. Very desirable but not very desiring.

HENRY NIMITZ:—A handsome, unsophisticated youth who is manager of the dry goods department of Joyce-Pruit Co. and who may be found there at almost anytime of the day. Also boards at the Gibson. Has a good job and two lots one block south of the First National Bank which would be an ideal location for a "cottage for two." Has successfully alluded spinsters for many years but is now reported to be reforming.

H. E. MULL:—A handsome and accomplished young man who is not married but has tendencies that way. Owns a well drilling machine and holds a government

job. Like most of the other bachelors of Artesia he boards at the Gibson. Has an office over the postoffice where he can be found nearly all the time. Owns a gold mine in Nevada. Should be worked easy as a sudden rush is liable to frighten him.

HOMER HIGGINS:—Brother of Ezra and is generally known as the "Younger." Stays at the Gibson. Is manager of the billiard hall and when not there may be found on the boggs. Is a good dancer if the hall is long enough but can not turn around. Somewhat young but is doing his best to remedy the defect. Of an amicable disposition and would make an ideal henpecked husband.

JAMES D. WHELAN:—A former newspaper man who degenerated into the land business. When in Artesia can be found at the office of the Higgins Land Co. Exceedingly good looking and is not at all adverse to matrimony. Not over fond of work but would break his back carrying washing to the woman he loved.

WILBUR KEMP:—An excellent young man who might be envied into wedded bliss with an axe. His affinity must be able to listen to his hunting tales without cracking a smile or their married life will be short. Can be found at the Kemp Lumber Co. where he is usually employed in skinning bobcats. An old Indian fighter.

ABE CONNER:—Spoken for by **ELMER FERMASTER:**—A sturdy specimen of manhood of whom it is said that he has great strength because he has never used any of it. Owns 200 acres of fine land on the Cottonwood. Can be found at his palatial residence on that stream or at the boggs. Won't stand for henpecking.

JOHN McILHANNY:—A tall man with a harsh voice. Has a job with the Pea Vine which fact makes him of an overbearing disposition but otherwise he would be a good catch. Can be found at the depot at all hours of the day or night as his working hours are governed by the arrival of the trains.

ERNEST KING:—Look like the villain in a ten cent melodrama. Is very susceptible to female wiles and can run an auto if his wife can buy one. Plays a violin or a bass drum with equal clarity. Can be found at the Machine shop or the dinner table.

D. L. LOONEY:—A handsome clerk in Joyce-Pruit Co. store. Has a good job at that place but otherwise his face is his fortune. When not at work can be found at the Gibson. Not at all what his name implies.

PEARLY TWILLIGER:—More commonly known as "Gee Whilliger." Works for Joyce-Pruit Co. and has a fine quarter section of Pecos Valley land. Best dancer in Artesia. Reads historical novels and can operate a phonograph.

JOHN B. SHARP:—Known to his friends as "Sharp the Tailor;" "Sharp Cooks the Oysters," and "Wee Wung Washie." Has neither money nor beauty but is very much inclined to matrimony. Has very accommodating disposition and is an expert with the hot iron or the hot air. Shop one door north of the photo gallery.

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R. R. BEATTY:—A shop worn article which is still on the market. Has a good business and owns a very fine quarter section of land within three miles of Artesia, which makes him a very desirable catch. Is somewhat timid when in close proximity with the fair sex but owing to his land he is well worth working for.

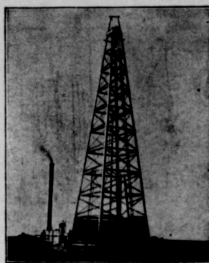
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Duchess of Marlborough Seeks Rest

The Duchess of Marlborough, born Consuelo Vanderbilt, has not realized the hopes of her early girlhood, says The Delineator for January. She has recently made her first visit back to this country since her separation from the duke. London society is very sympathetic toward the young duchess, who is not only a general favorite but a personal friend of the Queen as well. Life has not dealt as well with her as it promised. Ten years ago she was full of enjoyment of everything; now she is saddened and not strong, and she seeks a retirement that her deafness almost enforces. By arrangement with her husband she has her two sons for half the year, and she has many interests; her embroideries, her books and her spaniels; but it is all very different from what seemed before her. Rumor has it that she was greatly disappointed at her husband's failure to achieve distinction in politics, and that she hated to see the untitled husband of Mary Leiter of Chicago, go ahead to honor after honor, while her own duke achieved nothing. However, though much has gone against her, she is still greatly admired in London society, and when she enters a drawing-room wearing her famous pearls that once belonged to Catherine of Russia, her ill health and her cares cannot altogether dim her stately beauty.

A Pretty Wedding

On last Wednesday night Dec. 18th the wedding bells rang out at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dowfit, when Mr. Bruce Conner and Miss Lizzie Dowfit were united in holy bonds of wedlock. The bride

wore a dress of cream cashmere trimmed in over lace, which was very becoming, while the groom wore a suit of broadcloth. Brother Cage, of Artesia, pronounced the couple man and wife, after which an elegant supper was spread which was fit for a king and enjoyed by all. After supper the sweet strains of music opened up the grand ball which continued until after sunup the next morning. The music was furnished by Mr and Mrs. Stewart, which was up-to-date in every respect. Mr. Stewart is a man who understands music and knows the very kind to play to make the hearts of the young people glad. The young people hope to enjoy themselves again at Mr. Dowfit's soon. Miss Lizzie is the beautiful and accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dowfit and will make for Mr Conner a kind and loving wife. Mr. and Mrs. Conner left for their home at Artesia. We regret very much for them to leave our community, but wish for them a long and happy wedded life.—Hagerman Messenger.

Petition for the Panasco Bridge

W. F. Daugherty started on Monday to secure signatures to a petition to the county commissioners for a bridge across the Panasco between Dayton and Artesia, at such points as the commissioners may decide will accommodate the most people. In about half an hour over two dozen signatures were written. The desire for the needed bridge seems unanimous, but the petition is required to bring the matter up in legal form. One request in the petition is that the commissioners consider the bridge matter at the January meeting.

It is understood that Commissioner Turknet prefers the site at the county road crossing, and this has been said to be the preference of Artesia people. But the point where the section line crosses the Panasco one mile west of the county road has strong arguments in its favor and consequently many believe it to be the proper place for the bridge. The site is ideal and no doubt the advantages of the western location will be properly placed before the commissioners for their consideration.—Dayton Echo.

Wanted--A Wife

The ideal wife has been described many times and many people have as many different ideas on the subject, but the one that caps the climax is advertised for in last week's Carlsbad Current.

"I want a lady for a wife who weighs about 200 pounds; about four and a half feet high; red headed, freckled faced and cross eyed; that wears a number seven shoe, belongs to no church or order of any kind or cares anything about society and always has a smile when her husband comes in, no matter what his condition may be."
"J. N. Hewitt, a widower."

Artesia, N. M., Nov. 25, '07
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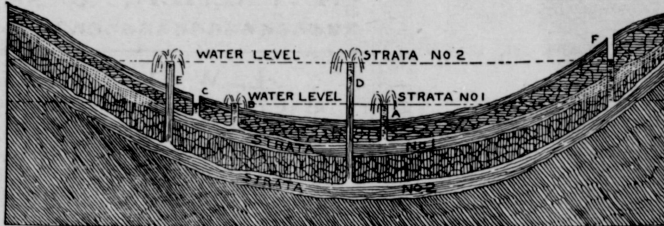
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D. J. McCanne, of Denver is here this week. Mr. McCanne is the engineer in charge of the Dayton reservoir.

S. P. Henry spent Tuesday in Roswell looking after business interests.

A. L. Schneider and wife spent Monday in Roswell.

Rev. Stout of Carlsbad, preached at the Christian church last Sunday. He left Monday morning for Bloomfield, Iowa, to remain a month after which time he will fill the pulpit at Artesia one half the time and the other half at Carlsbad.

Try our oysters. Artesia Market.

J. M. Muncy spent last Saturday in Roswell looking after business interests.

R. L. Carruthers of the Record, spent Christmas in Artesia.

Broken windows seem to be the order of the day in Artesia at present. The latest addition is that of the Artesia Feed & Fuel Co., whose display window was broken Sunday night by some unknown person. There was a good deal of Xmas candy in the window but none of it was taken.

James Upshur Carnes received a postal card from James D. Whelan last Saturday and if James D. is sporting around in scenes like that displayed on the card, he isn't much in the way of a godfather.

SEE JOHN S. MAJORS FOR INDIAN CORN.

W. F. Jorns of Artesia, and son H. T. Jorns, who has been employed during the past season on the S. W. Gilbert farm, two miles northwest of town, will rent the former Ragsdale place of 240 acres just east of the Gilbert farm, taking possession January 1st. The former has sold his farm in Oklahoma and the son will return soon from a visit to the old home, bringing his mother and shipping down a car of household goods. — Dayton Echo.

Remember Sperry & Lukins are complying exactly to the law and ordinance in regard to tapping the city water pipes. 50ft

Marvin W. Brown filed on a claim in Roosevelt county Monday.

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The I. O. O. F. will hold an installation of officers tonight at the lodge room after which a basket supper will be held at the Logan and Dyer building.

D. M. Muncy was a Roswell visitor Tuesday.

R. M. Love, of the Pecos Valley Immigration & Realty Co., went north into Iowa Tuesday to look after the land business.

\$7.00 per ton. The kafir corn heads alone will make over two and half tons per acre. See

John S. Major.

Constable George Bane was attending to business in Roswell this week.

Prof. Botts returned Monday evening from a trip to Hope and vicinity. He reports the crops good, the climate fine and the people happy.

Fancy canned meats at the Artesia Market.

Frank Watkins went to Hagerman yesterday morning to see his brother married.

Mrs. R. L. Carothers left Wednesday for Roswell where she will join her husband.

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Dr. Hendrickson of the Cottonwood country was in town Saturday. He reports things as booming in that section.

A New Year's dance was held at the Logan & Dyer building Tuesday night and the young folks danced the old year out and the new year in. A number of boys and girls were up from Dayton taking in the fun.

Rev. H. M. Perkins who now has charge of the Presbyterian church at Dayton was a caller at the News office Saturday and carried away a bunch of the Xmas books. Mr. Perkins resided in the Pecos Valley of Texas some years ago and then moved to Georgia, but the lure of the Land of Sunshine was too much for him and he just had to come back.

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Chester Dublin is now working on the night shift for Sperry & Lukins. They are drilling on the Love land just outside the city limits on the south.

All kinds of chickens at The Artesia Market.

E. F. Hardwick of Roswell was in town this week looking after business interests.

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