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STARTLING FACTS REVEALED CONCERNING ARTESIA MEN

MANY MEN OF MARRIAGEABLE AGE RUNNING LOOSE ACCORDING TO VALUABLE STATISTICS, NOW MADE KNOWN

A complaint, made by various young ladies of Artesia concerning the shortage of young men in this country is without foundation, according to reliable statistics, which have been given to the press. These unneccessary statements concerning the young men have brought representatives of matrimonial agencies to our fair city to investigate the matter.

Some very startling information has been gained by these investigations. The supply of marriageable young men over the oge of 21 exceeds the demand by a large majority. Instead of a need of more young men, an outside market is desired. Many young men are seen on the streets in great droves in the afternoon and evening hours, without any feminine companions. Scores of surplus men are considering the advisibility and the necessity of seeking aid thru the channels of matrimonial magazines.

Following is a partial list of the young men of Artesia, over twenty-one years of age, according to the new complied statistics. Girls, look 'em over. Wallace Anderson, Richard Atteberry, F. C. Adams, Lloyd Atkinson, W. R. Atkinson, Crowel Allan, S. C. Albright, John Brown, E. P. Bach, Victor Buel, Ara Buel, Fred Brainerd, H. Batton, John Boans, V. A. Bishop, Fred Cole, Lloyd Cowan, Dave Cogdall, Earl Collins, Wade Cunningham, Allan Davis, John Dunn, Judson Doss, S. Edgerton, Lincoln Feather, George Flanders, Kenneth Funkhauser, Howard Gissler, Vernon George, E. C. Higgins, Samuel Higgins, Leon Hise, Connie Horner, Arthur Horner, Ralph Hersey, Jerry Hale, Eddie Hohweiler, Marvin Jackson, Carl Jinks, Harvey Klopfenstein, Cleo Koger, Carl Manda, Bun Muncy, Chas. Martin, Irwin Martin, P. G. McCormick, James Montgomery, Lee Myers, C. E. Newhouse, Willie Newcomb, Howard Privitt, Lloyd Privitt, J. E. Quinlan, Roscoe Knowles, John Richards, John Redmond, Paul Rogers, Max Roady, Rufus Rowan, Charles Rhinehardt, Clinton Rice, John Runyan, Cris Savoie, Hampton Stevens, Will Scheider, Oscar Samelson, Worley Stevens, Ralph Terpening, Harve West. Milton West, Clifford Wilde, Willis Walker, Albert Vogel, and many others.

Editors Note.—The editor of the Advocate offers a half page add to any of the above bachelors advertising for a help-mate, provided they accept the first proposal.

BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE ENTERTAINED AT HOME OF GERTRUDE BABER

The young people of the First Baptist church were entertained at the home of Miss Gertrude Baber on last Friday evening. About thirty-five guests were present. The evening was spent in playing many games and contests. The ability of Paul Rogers to tie an apron string was startling as well as sensational. Miss Zanaida Mann and Miss Mary Lillian Rogers enjoyed new experiences. Especially did everyone enjoy the wonderful sideshow in the circus.

Delicious jello of many flavors, and cake were served by Misses Mary Alice James, Mellie Jonas and Virginia Atteberry. Ben Dunn and Clint Cole were attracted to the "eats" in a large measure.

After everyone present had returned their borrowed property, the merry party was brought to a close by Fred Cole and Ira Klopfenstein taking their hats and leaving. After a few preliminaries, necessary to start a Ford, all was quiet again.

TURKEY DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Sipple gave a fine turkey dinner last Wednesday evening at their home on South Rose Lawn. The dinner was given in honor of their son, Mr. Earl Sipple, of Colorado Springs, who was in Artesia a few days on a short visit and business trip. The turkey was an exceptionally fine bird, being one of a number Mr. Sipple brought from his Colorado ranch. The guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Ray Sipple, Mr. Chas. L. Ptomey of Arlington, Colorado, Mr. Earl Sipple, and Mr. Lee Myers.

J. M. Tuttle and S. R. Beavers have formed a partnership in the shoe repairing and second hand business and have rented and moved into the Vandagriff building on Main street. Read their adv. in this issue.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ferriman were Roswell visitors Tuesday.

NEW ROAD CONNECTING ARTESIA AND HOPE IS NEARING COMPLETION

The federal aid highway, which is being constructed from Artesia to Hope, will soon be ready for traffic, according to a statement by one of the contractors. The dump has been completed all the way to Hope and the gravel gangs have graveled the roadbed for a distance of about 15 miles. The remaining 10 miles will be graveled as soon as the men can haul the material from the pits.

Work on this project was stopped a few weeks back, due to the financial affairs of some of the interested persons. However, this matter has been adjusted and work was resumed several days ago. The task will be completed by Messrs. Beale and Morris, who are experienced road builders. The negro laborers, about 25 in number are being replaced by white men.

When the remaining distance has been graveled and the roadbed rolled, this will be among the best highways in the state. The farmers and stockmen of Hope will be greatly benefitted by the project. This will also cause more traffic between El Paso, Texas and Pecos Valley cities and towns.—Carlsbad Argus.

BASKET - BALL PRACTICE IN FULL SWING

MANY HIGH SCHOOL LADS REPORT FOR PRACTICE AND TRY-OUTS FOR THE HIGH SCHOOL QUINTETTE

The Artesia high school has commenced basket-ball practice after a long rest since the football season. The coach was handicapped by being unable to secure a suitable building for an in-door sport. The boys were waiting until a place could be secured.

However, practice has commenced on the outdoor court with a vim and many young agile athletes appear every afternoon for a scrimmage on the court. The candidates for the places on the quintette are doing good work and as the competition is strong, a very fast team of basket tossers is expected. Captain Bud Stoldt, Norman Clyde, Emmette Klopfenstein, Herman Cole, Charlie Nickey and Ralph Davis, last year's best men are back and will endeavor to "land" a berth on the quintette. About twenty other men are also candidates for the team. Among the most prominent among these are Bullock, Brown, Yeager, Welsh, Morris, Manda, Turknett, Pollard, Jackson, and Walker.

Early season games have been postponed on account of the lack of an indoor court. However, games are being scheduled for the near future with the other high schools of the valley. Dexter, Roswell, Carlsbad, Hagerman, Lake Arthur, and Hope are included. The season was very successful last year as the locals lost only to the Roswell quintette. Roswell is not as strong this season and has already met defeat at the hands of Dexter high school boys.

The Artesia high school girls have defeated the Dexter girls, who have also defeated the Roswell lasses. Roswell high was the only team that defeated the girls last year. This places Artesia in the foremost rank this period of the season, among thee other girl teams of the valley.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS

The Artesia Chapter Royal Arch Masons turned out in mass and participated in a specially prepared supper on Tuesday evening at Syferd's Restaurant. Practically all members were present and also three candidates; Messrs. Young of Lake Arthur and T. L. Evans and B. F. Sanford, of Artesia.

After supper was over, the Chapter met and conferred the Mark Master's Degree upon Mr. T. L. Evans, after which the Past Master's Degree was conferred upon each of the three candidates and, on next Tuesday night, December 20, there is a Call Meeting of the Chapter and the Most Excellent Master's Degree will be conferred upon all three said candidates.

The Roswell Chapter has been requested to confer the Royal Arch Degree upon Artesia's class, but the time has not yet been set.

I. T. George has returned after an absence of several months and will shortly open a shoe repairing shop in the Polk building.

The Red Cross desires the names of all parties who are competent to nurse and would be willing to do so if their services were needed. The names should be reported to Mrs. Earl Bigler who will be prepared to furnish the same to persons desiring such information. Mrs. Bigler's telephone number is 233.

A PSALM OF PAVING

Hords of autos now remind us
(roads)
We should pave our streets to stay,
And departing leave behind us
(winds) (blow)
Kinds that rains won't wash away.
When our children "pay the mortage"
Father made to haul their loads,
They'll not have to ask the question,
Here's the bonds, "but where's the roads?"

Concrete lasts, but dirt is fleeting
And our streets must be made strong,
So the work won't seed repeating
When we hit that "trail so long";
Let us then be up and doing
For procrastination kills,
Act now then we'll not be rueing
And forever paying bills.

NOTE: The first stanza of above comes from California where they have already thousands of miles of paving; courtesy of B. H. McTadden of Los Angeles, owner of a splendid farm adjoining Artesia. Mr. Hornbaker adds the second.

LAND COMMISSIONER MAPS OUT PROPOSED PARK IN MOUNTAINS

J. T. Robison, of Austin, State Land Commissioner, was a visitor in Pecos Friday, his trip here being incidental to his inspection of the proposed State Park in the Davis Mountain.

Mr. Robison has been making an extensive study of the proposed park district, meeting the land owners therein, traveling by motor and by horseback, even into some of the canyons and over some of the rough places where men seldom travel. He made a horseback ride for thirteen miles up Madera canyon, and while in that vicinity killed a big bear of which he was very proud.

The State Commissioner's map makes Gomez peak one of the points in the north boundary of the proposed park, when he draws his line to include Saw Tooth Mountain, and Mount Livermore to the South, Fort Davis to the Southeast and Balmorhea also on the North boundary. His report goes to the Park Committee appointed by the legislature.—Pecos Enterprise.

NEW YEAR'S DANCE

The local American Legion Post will give a New Year's Eve dance at the I. O. O. Hall, on December 31. Great plans are being made to make the affair the social event of the season. In addition to the dancing, there will be other novel entertainment features. Ham's Jazz Hounds will officiate.

TOYAH BELL OIL MAKES HIGH GRADE GASOLINE TEST. SHOULD BRING $4.50

Official analysis of recent samples of the oil from Toyah Bell well show it to be exceeding high grade and such as will probably command a price of $4.50 a barrel, which price the same grade of oil is bringing where it is produced in good quantities in other sections of the country.

The test shows the oil to have good gravity, showing 35 gasoline content and 40 lube.

President Ramsey said Thursday that he had been offered $3.00 a barrel by an El Paso Company but it is believed that a much higher price can be secured from a refinery at Amarillo. He expects to get $4.50 a barrel for the oil. The railway connection with Amarillo is satisfactory too, it is stated.

Some of the oil is being burned under the boiler at the Toyah Bell well but it is stated that it is too expensive to burn as fuel oil, since fuel oil can be bought for less than this will sell for.—Pecos Enterprise.

Word has been received from the Nickson family, temporarily located at Long Beach, California, that Jo Bob, the older boy, is seriously ill with kidney trouble, an aftermath of influenza. The climate there does not agree with Mrs. Nickson who is a victim of asthma.

John J. Kelly of Silver City, Grand Lecturer of the Masonic order of New Mexico, has been in town for a few days of this week coaching the officers of the Masonic lodge Some special work was performed under his supervision last eveening.

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More Shopping Days 'till Xmas. Read the Ads.

TURKEY TALK

THIS VALLEY AN IDEAL PLACE FOR POULTRY RAISING.

(By W. M. Todd.)

In discussing the possibilities of this valley, people look through different glasses. They are apt to be guided by their own limited experiences and intuitions rather than by a careful investigation of the experiences of others. Some think alfalfa is the only profitable crop. others can see nothing substantial outside of stock raising. Some confine their efforts to corn raising, others to market gardening.

If one would take the time and trouble to investigate the possibilities of poultry raising, he would find by actual figures that it is one of the most profitable occupations, everything considered, that one can engage in. There is no one hereabouts, so far as we know, who follows the business of poultry raising exclusively. The turkeys, chickens, eggs, etc., that are marketed are simply a side issue. And yet the money realized from the sale of eggs and poultry in this market would astonish most people.

The firm of Wilson & Anderson deals exclusively in farm produce, chickens, turkeys, and eggs being the principal commodities that they handle. There are other local dealers who handle some of these things, and outside buyers drop in at intervals and buy more. But Wilson & Anderson handle the bulk of it.

This firm has received between November 1, 1920, and November 1, 1921, a little more than $18,000 for poultry and eggs. Chickens and eggs come in a steady stream thruout the year and the most of them, practically all, are shipped to El Paso.

This firm has bought this season upwards of 1,500 turkeys. The average price paid was 22 cents per pound or $1.50 for each turkey which would make $2,250. The coming holiday sales will increase this fully 10 per cent.

Ralph Hersey, on the Cottonwood, brought in 78 turkeys which he sold for $295.75, or an average of $3.79 each.

C. W. Rowland sold a smaller number at about the same price and received therefor a little more than $200. Other people, on a smaller scale, have done as well.

In both these cases no special care was given their flocks of turkeys and their keep cost nothing except the little expense of feed at the end of the season to fit them for market. The old turkeys mostly "stole" their nests, layed their eggs, hatched their broods and brought them up on grasshoppers and alfalfa while taking "turkeytrots" over the farm.

If small flocks of turkeys that practically raised themselves brought in the amounts named above, why would not large flocks receiving proper care and attention be profitable?

Of course, poultry is as responsive to care as hogs or other animals are; or as a crop of grain is to cultivation. Care and attention intelligently bestowed would materially increase the product. But the favorable conditions here would reduce the burden of care and expense. The warm, dry weather of spring renders the young fowls almost immune to "pips", pneumonia and other diseases common to young fowls, and almost 100 per cent of the young reach maturity.

Forty acres of land devoted to poultry raising, with enough grain to fatten the fowls for market, would bring surprising returns. And this without a heavy outlay for farm machinery and hired help.

There was a time when the price of alfalfa was low, that turkey raising was carried on extensively throughout this whole valley. One man near here drove a flock of many hundred turkeys overland to El Paso. He saved the freight but never repeated the act. When night came the turkeys made airplanes of themselves and used house roofs and tall trees for hangers.

But when alfalfa began to soar in price the turkeys which trample down the alfalfa were sacrificed. The number of hogs raised was diminished also. But now that the price of alfalfa has nearly gotten back to prewar times, there appears to be no good reason why poultry raising should not return to its own.

I O. O. F. ELECT OFFICERS

At the last regular meeting the following officers were elected to serving the coming year:

W. A. Martin, N. G.
R. L. Paris, V. G.
Luther, Rideout, Treas.
Ed, Stone, Sec.
C. Russell, Trustee.

When Sheriff George Batton, of Carlsbad, made his capture of $8000 worth of booze last May, he also took possession of two automobiles, which were confiscated and ordered sold by the United States government. The two cars brought about $650, the Buick roadster selling for $450 and the Cadillac for $200.

ALFALFA HAY

Say, listen, Old Top,
Have you heard of the crop
Of alfalfa hay that we raise,
On this broad Pecos plain
Where we make our own rain,
Thru the long sub-tropical days?

Of all things that grow
On this planet below,
Alfalfa's the king and the peer.
And our farmers induce
This plant to produce
Ten thousand odd cars every year.

Miles of emerald sheen
Go to make the "pea-green;"
Afar whirs the sickle and near.
Six times round the earth
At its tropical girth,
A swath we cut each year.

Turn the hay we have sold
Into the dollars all told,
And this startling truth I declare,—
We could pave any main street
With silver complete,
And still have some dollars to spare.

To Chicago and back
We could lay a hay track
Of bales if placed end to end.
And of years we could feed
A lone cow in her greed,
Twenty thousand complete my dear friend.

Let clover be dumb
And timothy glum
And sad be cane and soudan,
For alfalfa hay
Is the winner today
Of all forage crops known to man.

W. R. Hornbaker.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

A number of students have been absent from school this week on account of severe colds.

The Manual Training and Home Economics departments have been very busy this week preparing for their sale next Saturday. The products of this department will be on sale Saturday at the Citizen's bank.

Red Cross seals will be on sale next week by the children of the grades. The money for these seals will be used for helping tubercular cases.

School trucks have been running on schedule time again. Last week a series of truck troubles made the Atoka truck late for several successive days.

A faculty meeting was held Tuesday afternoon and certain students were the invited ones.

Attendance is almost normal again in the grades. Perhaps this is caused by the strenuous efforts of our truant officer.

Coaches Newhouse and Adams have been compelled to defer a number of basket ball games because there is no available place for basket ball practice. Prospects look gloomy. We have material both for a boys' and girls' team, but outdoor practice is no longer possible. We can afford to pay a small rental but it now seems we may have no basket ball season. This is quite discouraging after the showing we made last season.

The Freshmen are planning some social activities to take place soon.

The School Board has announced that we will have one week for our Christmas vacation. School will dismiss on December 23 and open January 2.

The Commercial Class is showing great interest in their work. The book-keeping class is ahead of their schedule for the first semester. The highest speed in typing is 40 words to the minute and 50 words in shorthand. We hope this spirit will be maintained throughout the year.

ENDORSED PARK COMMITTEE..

At a meting of the Chamber of Commerce Monday evening the action of the Eddy County delegates at the National Park meeting held at Las Cruces recently was endorsed. There were three delegates from Hope, two from Carlsbad and two from Artesia. Rev. Moon was elected chairman of the committee representing Hope and Att. J. H. Jackson and Dr. J. J. Clarke, Artesia, and Francis G. Tracy and W. F. McIlvain, Carlsbad.

Mrs. Hans Olson and daughter, Miss Ethel, visited relatives in Roswell Tuesday.

Miss Pauline Anna Weddige of Hope was in the city on a shopping tour Wednesday.

Mrs. J. Goodale spent the first days of the week in Roswell, the guest of Mrs. Sally Roberts.

Geo. Flanders, manager of the Artesia Alfalfa Growers Association, was a Roswell business visitor the first of the week.

W. N. Tolleson of Oklahoma City, representing the F. B. Collins Investment Co. of that place, is in the city looking after the real estate interests of his company about Artesia.

H. P. Larsh has closed his cotton gin for the season and will start in a few days for Arkansas where he has lumber interests and a saw mill. He expects a big crop of cotton to gin here next season.

PAVING PETITION PRESENTED CITY COUNCIL

AGREED TO ABIDE BY THE MAJORITY ELIMINATES ALL DOUBT AND ARTESIA WILL SOON HAVE PAVED STREETS.

A delegation headed by J. H. Jackson, president of the Chamber of Commerce presented the petition to the City Council last Thursday evening. This petition calls for pavement from the Santa Fe railroad west on Main Street to the intersection on fifth street, this side of the Artesia Machine Shop.

The petition had been signed by a majority of the property owners on this street and has a considerable majority in frontage feet. There are two ways for the council to take action, by the petition or on their order of a needed improvement. There is no doubt about the needed improvement of Main street by having pavement, then there is no doubt that least ninety-five per cent of the citizens of the city want this improvement.

F. L. Hancock, at present engineer in charge of the Carlsbad paving contract, was present at this meeting, at the request of the mayor and chamber of commerce, and expressed his views regarding the costs, changing of the water pipes, width of pavement, and told of the advantages to be gained in preparation to make certain of a sale of bonds, etc. Mr. Hancock is a licensed engineer of Quincy, Ill. and his years of experience places him at the top of the list of dependable engineers.

There will be a preliminary expense of making changes in the water pipes on Main street but that expense is well worth the advantage to be gained in the growth of the town after paved streets have been put in. The city is well able to make the change in the water pipes as the money is now in the water fund in sufficient amount. In fact, Artesia is in better condition financially today than she has been in years. An official of the city says there is money in practically every city fund.

With these advantages there is now nothing in the way to prevent Artesia having paved streets and other needed improvements and becoming one of the real cities of the Pecos Valley.

MASONIC OFFICERS FOR NEW YEAR

The Masonic officers elected at their meeting Monday evening were:

L. P. Evans, S. W.
Jas. P. Bates, S. W.
R. L. Paris, J. W.
J. E. Robertson, Treas.
Ed. Stone, Secy.
C. E. Mann, Tyler.

SANTA IS COMING

Santa Claus at Miss Prim's, a young folks cantata for Christmas will be conducted by the young people of the Christian Church and friends from other churches who may be pleased to help, this will be something nice in the way of a Christmas play and all people of Artesia and the community around will find a cordial welcome.

December the 25th at 7 P. M. Remember the date.

Noel L. Johnson, editor of the Hope Press, was transacting business in Artesia Monday and Tuesday of this week.

NEW MEXICO WEATHER

New Mexico has shown in the last ten days or two weeks what she can do in the matter of winter weather when she really sets herself to the task in earnest.

The skies have been cloudless, the air soft and balmy with a mid-day temperature of about 68 degrees, an utter absence of wind, and the sun has shone all day long like June. Wraps are abandoned and on the sunny side of the streets undercoats of any weight are uncomfortable. Some who have no calendar to tell them what month it is are wearing straw hats.

All this intensifies the contrast of the scene when we focus our eyes on the peak of the White Mountains to the westward and see the great brilliant sunlight.
banks of snow as they sparkle in the

Such days are invigorating, exhilarating, animating, recuperating; and if there is anything else better than all this, they are that too. They transform gloom into cheer, discontent and mental weariness into buoyant optimism. They also act as a tonic to the system and aid digestion. They turn rancerous hate into ardent love and cause us to hand out cigarets and "Hogg" cigars indiscriminately to erstwhile enemies.

When the weather of the lower Pecos valley is on its good behavior it has the climate of every other locality on this earthly sphere skinned a mile.

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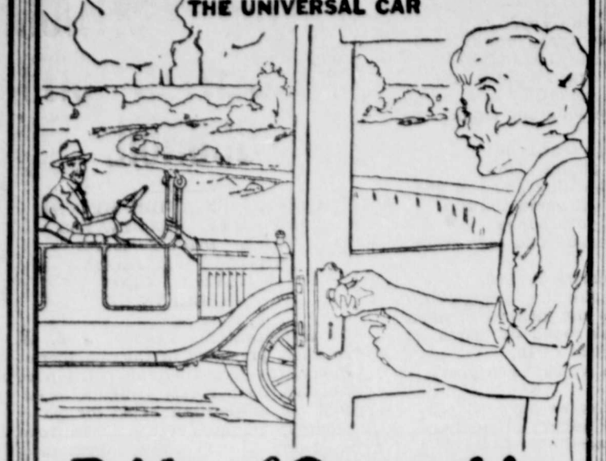

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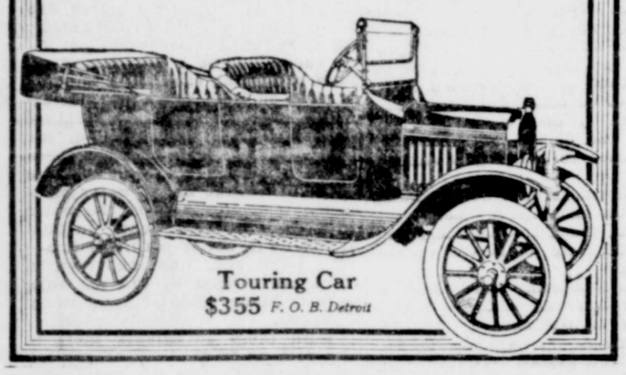

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David Crockett Cogdell, well digger, employed by Sperry and Brunning was in town Saturday.

We deliver parcels and light freight and collect and deliver laundry. Trunks and baggage called for and delivered.

B. D. WILSON. Phone 207.

Kemp Lumber Co.

All kinds of building material at lowest prices. Phone 14

Artesia, New Mexico

MC-MAHON BUYS GIBRALTER STORE

SUCCESSFUL MANAGER IS NOW THE SOLE OWNER OF FINE BUSINESS. ..SON OF F. A. McMAHON, ARTESIA

Mr. Grover McMahon, manager of the Gibralter Store, having purchased it from the trustees of the Consumers Mercantile Corporation, which took the store over from Mr. P. R. Muench about a year and a half ago.

The Consumers Mercantile Corporation following its organization less than two years ago had taken over a string of some twenty three stores in various communities in eastern and central Iowa. The store in this city known as the Gibraltar store, was one of the most successful managed of the entire string of stores and when the corporation got into financial troubles and was turned over to two trustees in order to conserve the interests of the creditors, announcement was made that the Gibraltar would continue to be operated Within the week the corporation was thrown into bankruptcy, but it is said this will in no way effect the sale of the Gibraltar to Mr. McMahon who had previously completed the deal for its purchase.

The new owner of the Gibraltar is well and favorably known in this community where he has made his home for a number of years. He is thoroughly versed in the grocery business, having been employed by A. S. Norton and P. R. Muench prior to accepting the management of the Gibraltar Store. Straightforward, courteous and a hustler, Mr. McMahon has won for himself a commanding position with his patrons and he has the best wishes of all in his business venture.

Grover McMahon is well known in Artesia, having been in the grocery business here for several years. He is a son of our well known townsman, F. D. McMahon.

STROUP SEIZES MILLIONIARE, YACHT AND SOME WHISKY

Andrew B. Stroup, of Albuquerque, special agent of the national prohibition department, is one of the central figures in the sensational arrest of James Shewan, New York multimillionaire ship builder, and the seizure of his palatial yacht and the Patricia, in the harbor of Monterey on Tuesday, December 6th, according to the San Francisco Bulletin of that date which devotes its entire front page to a red-lettered extra announcing the arrest of the New Yorker.

Mr. Stroup, according to the Bulletin's story, caused an investigation of the yacht to be made. He is said to have discovered 100 cases of high grade whiskies, wines and liquors on board. He wired the facts to Commissioner Haynes at Washington and was instructed to act in cooperation with State Prohibition Director Mitchell of California.

The result was that the yacht was followed to Monterey where warrants were issued and the yacht seized. The boat and its owner have been released under $100,000 bond.

Shewan, according to the Bulletin, maintains that he purchased the liquor when he purchased the yacht in May of this year. He has since sailed in it down the Atlantic coast, thru the canal and to the Pacific ports.—Albuquerque Herald.

DRIVING BRIDGE PILING

Pile driving was begun Wednesday on the bridge which is being constructed on the Pecos river two miles east of Hagerman. Beginning of construction work on the bridge has been watched for with keen interest by a great many people in this section, and its completion will be the source of much satisfaction and prove a great convenience to the entire community.—Hagerman Messenger.

NICE POULTRY FLOCK

Mr. J. D. Edmonson, who resides about three-quarters of a mile east from this office has a flock of hens of which he is justly proud. They are Anconas, a breed of fowls that were originated and given prominence by a man by the name of Sheppard of Berea, Ohio. Mr. Edmonson's roosters came directly from the Sheppard coop and thus possess the pure Sheppard Strain.

The hens are jet black with white spots and large, deep red combs, They are larger than Leghorns but not so large as Plymouth Rocks. Their peculiar merits, according to Mr. Edmonson, consist in their vigor and pep, and their wonderful persistency as layers. From 22 hens which were hatched from the eggs last March he gets 18 eggs per day and they all commenced to lay in four months and thirteen days from the time they were hatched. They lay as well in winter as in summer, and they are known as winter layers. They are small eaters and in summer forage for themselves, subsisting on bugs, grasshoppers and what they scratch out of the soil.

Mr. Edmonson, who is the chief engineer of the Electric Light Plant, finds a pleasant diversion from his duties in the care of his flock of fowls and says they are a greater source of profit than any one would suppose. He expects to increase the size of his flock next year to a hundred or more.

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CRUDE OIL WILL CHECK BLUE BUG

Blue bugs are so-called because of their color. This bug is a determent to egg production because of its method of living. The blue bug visits the fowls at night on the roosts and hides in cracks about the house in the daytime. Because of the size of these bugs, they are capable of consuming large amounts of blood, making it impossible for the hens to produce while infested with these bugs.

The cheapest and best method of controlling the blue bug ois by painting the interior of the poultry house, roosts and nests with crude oil, says Prof. Bardsley, poultrymam at the Agricultural College. It is desirable to mix kerosene with the crude oil to make it penetrate wood better. Care should be taken to keep the fowls closed out of the house until the oil has had an opportunity to dry. If this precaution is not followed, the eggs will become stained and perhaps tainted slightly.

Be sure to use plenty of good, clean nesting material after the use of crude oil in order to prevent the discoloration and tainting of the eggs.

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$10.00 Value	$ 7.50
$ 8.00 Value	$ 6.00
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$ 4.00 Value	$ 3.00
$ 3.50 Value	$ 2.65
$ 3.00 Value	$ 2.25
$ 2.50 Value	$ 1.85
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$ 6.50 Value	$ 4.90
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This week we notice that several boys stayed away from school with different excuses for not attending that could have been avoided. When these boys reach manhood and enter upon life's hard labors they will wish they had not missed a day.

THE TEST

There is a story to the effect that an Artesia man protested to his wife that he was not under the influence of drink and she asked him to say "Chrysanthemum." That was just like a woman. Of course he couldn't and she knew he couldn't.

BABE RUTH LEARNS HIS LESSON

The state, I am it," said Babe Ruth or substantially that, when he broke the rules and regulations of baseball and flouted the authority of commissioner K. M. Landis by playing post-season games with bush league teams.

He relied on the nationwide popularity among millions of baseball fans to carry him thru without punishment.

Now Ruth is suspended and his share of the 1921 world series profits forfeited. There is no great clamor from the crowd in protest.

The "baseball king" learns, it may be with pained surprise, what other kings have learned through the centuries. That no man is big enough to do as he pleases, irrespective of everything, and that popular support may be unstable.

The fact is, all of us, wherever situated, in whatever condition of life, are expected to play the game according to the rules, and are subject to penalty if we don't.—El Paso Herald.

BONUS

Secretary Mellon, in his current annual report, just released, uses many pages of argument for the cutting down of the upper surtax brackets, which means the cufting down of the taxes of multi-millionaires like Mr. Mellon.

Secretary Mellon uses about a quarter of a page discussing the soldier bonus. He says this:

The Treasury's position with regard to the soldier's bonus or so-called adjusted compensation for veterans of the war, has been set forth in the Secretary's letter of July 2, 1921, to Senator Frelinghuysen in response to Senator Frelinghuysen's letter of June 24, 1921, which requested the views of the Treasury as to S. 506, "to provide adjusted compensation for veterans of the World War" with particular reference to the financial obligations it would have entailed. These letters are inclubed here as Exhibit 33, page 228. The position of the President in regard to the soldier's bonus was subsequently stated in a special message to the Senate, dated July 12, 1921, which is set forth herein as Exhibit 34, page 232.

Conditions have not changed since the Secretary's letter and the President's message, and the Treasury's attitude remains the same. Even without any soldiers' bonus or adjusted compensation, the estimates show that the Federal Government will spend in the fiscal year 1922, & again in the fiscal year 1923, about $450,000,000 a year for the relief of veterans of the late war.

The president avoided mention of the bonus in his address to congress. This continued opposition of the administration to any form of compensation for soldiers who served in the mud and blood of the world war for a dollar a day while Mr. Mellon was piling up his millions of war profits upon his already ample fortune will come as a dissappointment to those who had hoped that the administration would hasten to get right on the bonus proposition, following the action of the American Legion convention in Kansas City. It is evident that Mr. Harding's secretary of the treasury is not at all interested in what the American Legion thinks about the bonus.

It is safe to assume, however, that congress will do something about the bonus. In fact, congress almost had something done about it once. It was ready to override Mr. Mellon. Then the president himself appeared with an urgent request to shelve the bonus, and the bonus was shelved. It is doubtful whether the president will rush to the aid of his secretary of the treasury in such a contingency again. The last time he did so his appeal was ignored. That was in the case of the compromise on surtax bracklets. Mellon wanted the highest surtax on the biggest incomes (including Mr. Mellon's income) hammered down to 35 per cent. The highest had been 65 per cent. The house passed the bill at the 35 per cent figure, our own Congressman Bird being reported as voting for the bill in that form. The senate, after hearing from home, decided on a higher level of surtaxes for the biggest incomes, and a compromise was reached at 50 per cent. The president intervened at this point with an appeal to compromise somewhere around 40 per cent, if possible. The senate and house conferees went ahead and compromised at 50 per cent, and felt they were taking a considerable risk then of incurring public disapproval because of the cut in the surtaxes made even at that figure, saving many millions of dollars to those receiving incomes around a million dollars a year.

Congress has been hearing from home rather regularly on the bonus proposition. With congressional elections looming just ahead, it is likely that some sort of bonus legislation will be passed in spite of the opposition of the administration. —Wichita Eagle.

Several couples from here have invitations to the "Baile" to be given by Will Vermillion at Lake Arthur tonight. Mr. Vermillion's dances are always delightful affairs and many from here will attend. Hagerman's five piece orchestra has been secured for the occasion.

Mrs. Bettie Wheat and daughter Miss Ether, of Pleasant Hill, Mo., arrived last Thursday and will spend the winter in this city. They are old friends of Mrs. Anna Pitts.

Miss Lora Davis of Hope was in the city Saturday.

John Eubanks was up from Carlsbad on business Saturday.

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Last of Old Advocate.

When the good will and subscription list of the Advocate were purchased of A. W. Henry about two years ago he sold some of his type for old metal and shipped the balance with most of his presses and machinery to California. His Campbell press which was old enough to vote and so heavy that the floor had to be propped under it was alonc left here and put in cold storage.

It was recently purchased by the Hagerman Messenger and will become a fixture in the Messenger office. Though ancient and battle scarred, and while making a noise and vibration when in operation like a procession of tractors crossing a steel bridge, it is yet capable of fair service and will probably print the Messenger as long as the latter is printed. This is the last of Mr. Henry's old Advocate equipment, and if the old press could talk it would relate wierd stories of its long and varied experience.

Mr. Henry has been doing linotype work in San Francisco at good wages since he left here but intends to join his family in Long Beach the first of the New Year and get into business there.

Everyone in Artesia has a warm place for the veteran printer and will be glad to learn that he is well and prosperous in his new home.

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Young peoples meeting, 6:15.
Prayer meeting 7 p. m.

NAZARENE CHURCH.

You are invited to attend services at the Church Of The Nazarene
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Episcopal Church.

There will be services at St. Paul's Episcopal Mission every second and fourth Sunday evening of the month. Rev. F. A. Eller of Carlsbad officiating.

Sunday school, L. B. Feather, superintendent, at 9:45.
"Going Forward", Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.
"How to go Forward," will be the evening subject at 7:30.
The public is cordially invited to attend all these services.
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Methodist Church.

(Lake Arthur)

Preaching every second Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by pastor. Song service for children 9:45 Sunday morning. S. S. at 10 o'clock. Epworth League at 6:30. Everybody welcome.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

Bible school every Lord's day, starting promptly at 10 A. M., followed by communion services. It's the duty of every member of the church to attend communion services. Everybody is welcome to our services. We extend a hearty invitation to all strangers who have just moved to our city. Let every member of the church be present on next Lord's day.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Morning sermon. Subject: "Jesus' Way of Dealing With Offenders Against Society."
Evening sermon. Subject: "Blessed and a Blessing."
Young people's meeting at 6 p. m.
E. E. Mathes, pastor.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

Nazarene Church. Services every Sunday. Sunday school begins at 9:45 A. M. Preaching at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Also two prayer meetings each week beginning at 7 o'clock. On Tuesday night the young people's prayer meeting and on Thursday night general. You are invited to attend all these services. A. W. WILD, S. S. Supt.
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I have solved the difficulty. I have a new patented measure that accurately measures out fifty cents worth or a dollar's worth or any amount from five cents up. It operates like a scale that can be set for ten cents' worth or any other amount more or less. It does its work quickly and accurately and saves the annoyance of digging up pennies by either buyer or seller

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TRAIL ROUTED THRU HARPER

TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAIL BETWEEN CHICAGO AND EL PASO WILL PASS THRU HARPER—DELEGATES HAVE LITTLE OPPOSITION

Harper delegates who attended the Southwest Trail Convention which was held at Woodward, Okla. last Thursday night for the purpose of establishing a permanent route for the Southwest Trail between Wichita and Canadian, Texas, were successful in their mission and the proposed Trail will go through Harper. There was no strong opposition and Mayor Kelly and L. L. Galloway, the delegates had everything their own way. Mayor Kelley was placed on a committee of delegates to designate the trail. The committee's report to the convention was: "that the trail should pass through Kiowa, Hazelton, Attica, Harper and connect with the Meridian road at Wellington. The committee's report was unanimously adopted by the Convention.

The marking of this Trail, which is destined to become one of the most important trans-continental trails in the United States, will be done in the near future. The trail will run from Chicago to El Paso, Texas, following as near as possible, the main line of the A. T. & S. F. Railway. The possibility of this trail in time becoming a hard surface road is not improbable. Crossing as it does all trunk lines between Chicago and Oklahoma, tourists enroute to California, especially in the winter will soon see the advantage of the southern way and it will soon become a very popular highway.

Just what this trail means to Harper will not be appreciated until the marking of the whole route is complete and tourists enroute to and from the coast begin driving through and making Harper their camping grounds. Also it will give Harper direct main traveled roads to other cities along the route.

Harper's delegates were loud in their praise to the Woodward Chamber of Commerce who entertained the guests in royal fashion. The delegates were met at the station with the Convention was called after cars and were shown places of interest in the city. At eight o'clock which music was furnished by the Woodward Orchestra, while a bountious banquet was served the delegates.—Harper Advocate (Kans).

This road should have run thru Artesia instead of Crrrizozo.

Austin Reeves will have charge of the work from Dunken to Elk. Edgar Watts will take charge from Dunken to the Otero County line on Angal Canon, and Emery Capper will oversee the work from Otero County line on four miles to Y. O. Crossing. Hope has promised to put the road from Hope to Y. O. Crossing in good shape.

This will be a long step in completing the first step toward having good roads west of Hope, then on to El Paso via Pinon. And if better from that place to the Otero County line, we believe El Paso will take up the work from the other end, and thus make a way of traveling from the Pecos Valley and the mountain country that will attract many tourists, as well as to enable the homefolks to go to the city without saying things that only should be thought.—Hope Press.

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FALL FOR PARK IN NORTHERN PART OF STATE SAYS MECHEM

Secretary of the Interior Fall declared he felt certain the Mescalero National park, if established, would not bar Northern New Mexico from getting another and, going a step further, put himself on record in favor of one in the northern part of the state, Governor Mechem stated this week.

The governor, who is head of the Mescalero National Park association, and a committee waited upon Fall in El Paso Sunday and laid the association's proposal before him.

"The secretary," said the governor, "declared himself in favor of the park—the Mescalero national park. Very much so. He had as United States senator, introduced measures for the creation of the park, but nothing ever came of them.

The Cliff Cities movement was called to Fall's attention, the governor said, and he said he had heard it mentioned and advised those who favored the project to organize an association, which, the governor said, seemed to be the first necessary step, and asked that it be carried out. When this was done, he said, Fall said he would be glad to consider the proposal.

"So, if these people are interested in getting a national park, the thing for them to do," said the governor, "is what the people of the southern section did—get together and organize an association, decide on what they want—put their proposition into shape and submit it.

"The secretary said he was going to send out a park expert—one of the best in the service—to look over the Mescalero proposition before the bill is returned with his recommendation to congress. The bill, of course, must be approved by him before it is finally acted upon.

"I would suggest that the people here, if they want to get the park established, avail themselves of this expert. No doubt the secretary would be glad to send him up here at the same time."—New Mexican.

The Wonders of America

By T. T. MAXEY

THE "SEA-GOING" RAILROAD.

KEY WEST is nearer the eastern terminus of the Panama canal, by almost 300 miles, than any other of our gulf ports. It is separated from the main land by the Florida keys—a more or less disconnected string of islands, composed largely of coral and limestone.

To reap the benefit of its strategic position, however, direct and quick transportation with the main land was necessary. A railroad was the answer. Its construction was considered impracticable and impossible. But there are men who will undertake anything. The late Henry M. Flagler furnished the funds and the work was begun in 1905. Men from many climes, material of many kinds and new methods of construction were called into service. The winds, waves, a torrid sun, many known and unknown factors had to be grappled with and solved. Even nature had to be overcome. The construction must be stormproof.

From Homestead, where the extension begins, to Key West, it is 128 miles. Jumping from island to island are 11 miles of concrete arch viaducts and six miles of steel bridges—one of which contains 243 spans. The construction of the line on the islands proper was comparatively simple. Joining the island by rail was the ticklish job.

Thanks to the genius, grit and untiring efforts of the engineers, one may now enjoy the heretofore unthinkable and unique experience of riding from Key West to Miami in about five hours on a train running, for the most part, over water instead of on land.

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ESTES-ROCKY MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK.

MANY years ago three Englishmen hunted big game in the Rocky mountains. They had hunted in Asia, Africa and South America, but as they stood on the continental divide in north-central Colorado and looked down into Estes park it seemed to them a very paradise on earth. One of Colorado's most satisfying outing places ever since that time Uncle Sam, in 1915, proclaimed part of Estes and the territory immediately to the west a national park.

Only 70 miles from Denver, it is the most accessible to the largest number of people of any of our great national playspots. Here, at an average elevation of 7,500 feet above sea level, is a pine-scented, snow-capped pleasureland—a perfectly delightful refuge of peaceful grandeur, where one may be out every day from May to October in clear, bracing air, beneath a bright but scorchless sun and enjoy every night the cool, refreshing sleep that only the mountains can induce.

Long's Peak stands sentinel over the park, in which are lakes on which float ice cakes in August; masses of snow (glaciers) a mile long and hundreds of feet thick, supposed to be older than the pyramids of Egypt, always exposed to the sun, far away from their starting point, yet slower than a snail; moraines—great ridges formed by glaciers which moved through the park centuries ago; rock-walled canyons; magnificent forests of pine and aspen; numerous mountain-trout streams; broad valleys, carpeted with luxuriant wild flowers of many varieties, including the delicate columbine—the state flower of Colorado.

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THE TEST

There is a story to the effect that an Artesia man protested to his wife that he was not under the influence of drink and she asked him to say "Chrysanthemum." That was just like a woman. Of course he couldn't and she knew he couldn't.

BABE RUTH LEARNS HIS LESSON

The state, I am it," said Babe Ruth or substantially that, when he broke the rules and regulations of baseball and flouted the authority of commissioner K. M. Landis by playing post-season games with bush league teams.

He relied on the nationwide popularity among millions of baseball fans to carry him thru without punishment.

Now Ruth is suspended and his share of the 1921 world series profits forfeited. There is no great clamor from the crowd in protest.

The "baseball king" learns, it may be with pained surprise, what other kings have learned through the centuries. That no man is big enough to do as he pleases, irrespective of everything, and that popular support may be unstable.

The fact is, all of us, wherever situated, in whatever condition of life, are expected to play the game according to the rules, and are subject to penalty if we don't.—El Paso Herald.

BONUS

Secretary Mellon, in his current annual report, just released, uses many pages of argument for the cutting down of the upper surtax brackets, which means the cutting down of the taxes of multi-millionaires like Mr. Mellon.

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Conditions have not changed since the Secretary's letter and the President's message, and the Treasury's attitude remains the same. Even without any soldiers' bonus or adjusted compensation, the estimates show that the Federal Government will spend in the fiscal year 1922, & again in the fiscal year 1923, about $450,000,000 a year for the relief of veterans of the late war.

The president avoided mention of the bonus in his address to congress. This continued opposition of the administration to any form of compensation for soldiers who served in the mud and blood of the world war for a dollar a day while Mr. Mellon was piling up his millions of war profits upon his already ample fortune will come as a dissappointment to those who had hoped that the administration would hasten to get right on the bonus proposition, following the action of the American Legion convention in Kansas City. It is evident that Mr. Harding's secretary of the treasury is not at all interested in what the American Legion thinks about the bonus.

It is safe to assume, however, that congress will do something about the bonus. In fact, congress almost had something done about it once. It was ready to override Mr. Mellon. Then the president himself appeared with an urgent request to shelve the bonus, and the bonus was shelved. It is doubtful whether the president will rush to the aid of his secretary of the treasury in such a contingency again. The last time he did so his appeal was ignored. That was in the case of the compromise on surtax bracklets. Mellon wanted the highest surtax on the biggest incomes (including Mr. Mellon's income) hammered down to 35 per cent. The highest had been 65 per cent. The house passed the bill at the 35 per cent figure, our own Congressman Bird being reported as voting for the bill in that form. The senate, after hearing from home, decided on a higher level of surtaxes for the biggest incomes, and a compromise was reached at 50 per cent. The president intervened at this point with an appeal to compromise somewhere around 40 per cent, if possible. The senate and house conferees went ahead and compromised at 50 per cent, and felt they were taking a considerable risk then of incurring public disapproval because of the cut in the surtaxes made even at that figure, saving many millions of dollars to those receiving incomes around a million dollars a year.

Congress has been hearing from home rather regularly on the bonus proposition. With congressional elections looming just ahead, it is likely that some sort of bonus legislation will be passed in spite of the opposition of the administration. —Wichita Eagle.

Several couples from here have invitations to the "Baile" to be given by Will Vermillion at Lake Arthur tonight. Mr. Vermillion's dances are always delightful affairs and many from here will attend. Hagerman's five piece orchestra has been secured for the occasion.

Mrs. Bettie Wheat and daughter Miss Ether, of Pleasant Hill, Mo., arrived last Thursday and will spend the winter in this city. They are old friends of Mrs. Anna Pitts.

Miss Lora Davis of Hope was in the city Saturday.

John Eubanks was up from Carlsbad on business Saturday.

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Last of Old Advocate.

When the good will and subscription list of the Advocate were purchased of A. W. Henry about two years ago he sold some of his type for old metal and shipped the balance with most of his presses and machinery to California. His Campbell press which was old enough to vote and so heavy that the floor had to be propped under it was alone left here and put in cold storage.

It was recently purchased by the Hagerman Messenger and will become a fixture in the Messenger office. Though ancient and battle scarred, and while making a noise and vibration when in operation like a procession of tractors crossing a steel bridge, it is yet capable of fair service and will probably print the Messenger as long as the latter is printed. This is the last of Mr. Henry's old Advocate equipment, and if the old press could talk it would relate wierd stories of its long and varied experience.

Mr. Henry has been doing linotype work in San Francisco at good wages since he left here but intends to join his family in Long Beach the first of the New Year and get into business there.

Everyone in Artesia has a warm place for the veteran printer and will be glad to learn that he is well and prosperous in his new home.

THE CHURCHES

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY.

Opposite Hardwick Hotel.
Sunday service at 11 a. m.
Wednesday service at 7:30 p. m.
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Service changes.
Evening services, 7 p. m.
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Prayer meeting 7 p. m.

NAZARENE CHURCH.

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Episcopal Church.

There will be services at St. Paul's Episcopal Mission every second and fourth Sunday evening of the month. Rev. F. A. Eller of Carlsbad officiating.

Sunday school, L. B. Feather, superintendent, at 9:45.
"Going Forward", Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.
"How to go Forward," will be the evening subject at 7:30.
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METHODIST CHURCH,
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(Lake Arthur)

Preaching every second Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by pastor. Song service for children 9:45 Sunday morning. S. S. at 10 o'clock. Epworth League at 6:30. Everybody welcome.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

Bible school every Lord's day, starting promptly at 10 A. M., followed by communion services. It's the duty of every member of the church to attend communion services. Everybody is welcome to our services. We extend a hearty invitation to all strangers who have just moved to our city. Let every member of the church be present on next Lord's day.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Morning sermon. Subject: "Jesus' Way of Dealing With Offenders Against Society."
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Nazarene Church. Services every Sunday. Sunday school begins at 9:45 A. M. Preaching at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Also two prayer meetings each week beginning at 7 o'clock. On Tuesday night the young people's prayer meeting and on Thursday night general. You are invited to attend all these services. A. W. WILD, S. S. Supt.
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The preseat price of gasoline is 28 cents per gallon. If one buys a gallon he must dig up three pennies to go with the twenty five cents. If he buys two gallons he must dig up one cent. Not unless he buys five gallons, or some multiple of five, can he escape that pusillanimous penny business

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TRAIL ROUTED THRU HARPER

TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAIL BETWEEN CHICAGO AND EL PASO WILL PASS THRU HARPER—DELEGATES HAVE LITTLE OPPOSITION

Harper delegates who attended the Southwest Trail Convention which was held at Woodward, Okla. last Thursday night for the purpose of establishing a permanent route for the Southwest Trail between Wichita and Canadian, Texas, were successful in their mission and the proposed Trail will go through Harper. There was no strong opposition and Mayor Kelly and L. L. Galloway, the delegates had everything their own way. Mayor Kelley was placed on a committee of delegates to designate the trail. The committee's report to the convention was: "that the trail should pass through Kiowa, Hazelton, Attica, Harper and connect with the Meridian road at Wellington. The committee's report was unanimously adopted by the Convention.

The marking of this Trail, which is destined to become one of the most important trans-continental trails in the United States, will be done in the near future. The trail will run from Chicago to El Paso, Texas, following as near as possible, the main line of the A. T. & S. F. Railway. The possibility of this trail in time becoming a hard surface road is not improbable. Crossing as it does all trunk lines between Chicago and Oklahoma, tourists enroute to California, especially in the winter will soon see the advantage of the southern way and it will soon become a very popular highway.

Just what this trail means to Harper will not be appreciated until the marking of the whole route is complete and tourists enroute to and from the coast begin driving through and making Harper their camping grounds. Also it will give Harper direct main traveled roads to other cities along the route.

Harper's delegates were loud in their praise to the Woodward Chamber of Commerce who entertained the guests in royal fashion. The delegates were met at the station with the Convention was called after cars and were shown places of interest in the city. At eight o'clock which music was furnished by the Woodward Orchestra, while a bountious banquet was served the delegates.—Harper Advocate (Kans).

This road should have run thru Artesia instead of Crrrizozo.

Austin Reeves will have charge of the work from Dunken to Elk. Edgar Watts will take charge from Dunken to the Otero County line on Angal Canon, and Emery Capper will oversee the work from Otero County line on four miles to Y. O. Crossing. Hope has promised to put the road from Hope to Y. O. Crossing in good shape.

This will be a long step in completing the first step toward having good roads west of Hope, then on to El Paso via Pinon. And if better from that place to the Otero County line, we believe El Paso will take up the work from the other end, and thus make a way of traveling from the Pecos Valley and the mountain country that will attract many tourists, as well as to enable the home-folks to go to the city without saying things that only should be thought.—Hope Press.

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FALL FOR PARK IN NORTHERN PART OF STATE SAYS MECHEM

Secretary of the Interior Fall declared he felt certain the Mescalero National park, if established, would not bar Northern New Mexico from getting another and, going a step further, put himself on record in favor of one in the northern part of the state, Governor Mechem stated this week.

The governor, who is head of the Mescalero National Park association, and a committee waited upon Fall in El Paso Sunday and laid the association's proposal before him.

"The secretary," said the governor, "declared himself in favor of the park—the Mescalero national park. Very much so. He had as United States senator, introduced measures for the creation of the park, but nothing ever came of them.

The Cliff Cities movement was called to Fall's attention, the governor said, and he said he had heard it mentioned and advised those who favored the project to organize an association, which, the governor said, seemed to be the first necessary step, and asked that it be carried out. When this was done, he said, Fall said he would be glad to consider the proposal.

"So, if these people are interested in getting a national park, the thing for them to do," said the governor, "is what the people of the southern section did—get together and organize an association, decide on what they want—put their proposition into shape and submit it.

"The secretary said he was going to send out a park expert—one of the best in the service—to look over the Mescalero proposition before the bill is returned with his recommendation to congress. The bill, of course, must be approved by him before it is finally acted upon.

"I would suggest that the people here, if they want to get the park established, avail themselves of this expert. No doubt the secretary would be glad to send him up here at the same time."—New Mexican.

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THE "SEA-GOING" RAILROAD.

KEY WEST is nearer the eastern terminus of the Panama canal, by almost 300 miles, than any other of our gulf ports. It is separated from the main land by the Florida keys—a more or less disconnected string of islands, composed largely of coral and limestone.

To reap the benefit of its strategic position, however, direct and quick transportation with the main land was necessary. A railroad was the answer. Its construction was considered impracticable and impossible. But there are men who will undertake anything. The late Henry M. Flagler furnished the funds and the work was begun in 1905. Men from many climes, material of many kinds and new methods of construction were called into service. The winds, waves, a torrid sun, many known and unknown factors had to be grappled with and solved. Even nature had to be overcome. The construction must be stormproof.

From Homestead, where the extension begins, to Key West, it is 128 miles. Jumping from island to island are 11 miles of concrete arch viaducts and six miles of steel bridges—one of which contains 243 spans. The construction of the line on the islands proper was comparatively simple. Joining the island by rail was the ticklish job.

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Death of Mrs. Harvey.

Mrs. Alice Harvey who had been ill for some time, went last week to Carlsbad, where she was operated upon Sunday morning for gall stones. Her system, which was badly run down from the effects of the disease, was unable to rally from the shock and she passed away Monday night.

Her little daughter, Alaphare, and Miss Emma Clark had gone down and were present when the end came. Her brother at Lake Arthur was ill and was unable to be there. The remains were shipped to her old home at Sibley, Iowa, for burial.

Mrs. Harvey was a woman of fine character and was held in high esteem by all who knew her. She was a member of the Methodist church. In accordance with her will the little girl, Alaphare, will remain here until the close of the school year, where she will make her home with Mrs. Harveys brother and wife at Sibley.

Worn Clothing Wanted.

Clothing for boys of 5, 7, 9 and 11 years of age and for girls of 2, 4 and 13 years is badly needed. Any one having such clothing to spare may leave same at Citizens State Bank or notify A. C. Keinath, who will call for it and see that it reaches its destinotion. Bedding would also be acceptable.

Friends of the Selby family at Lake Arthur will be sorry to learn that the next to the youngest boy, Galloway, was thrown from a horse on Wednesday morning, sustaining a bad break of the thigh.

Mrs. Laura Kelley, after a weeks' visit here, left Sunday for Carlsbad en route to Lovington. She came over from the plains to see her sister, Miss Minnie Drake, who came here from Des Moines, Iowa, to prove up on her claim. Francis Kelley was also here from Carlsbad last week.

When Buying Xmas Presents

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The Hoover Electric Cleaner

would be a most gratifying Christmas present. The Hoover lifts the rug off the floor. It beats as it sweeps as it cleans.

Other Christmas presents that would make Xmas day more pleasurable are Congoleum gold seal art rugs, rocking chairs, dinning tables, cedar chests. A HOOSIER kitchen cabinet would save the lady of the house much time and labor. Come look us over for useful Christmas presents.

Owen McClay Artesia, New Mexico

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Modern 5-room dwelling in excellent repair---just refinished.

Three light house keeping apartments, steom heat, electric lights.

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The Wonders of America

By T. T. MAXEY

MESA VERDE NATIONAL PARK.

IN 1888 there was discovered in Montezuma county, southwestern Colorado, the greatest prehistoric ruins in this country. A thorough examination of the canyon of the Mancos river disclosed the fact that it contained extensive examples of the mysterious remains of an extinct race. Uncle Sam decided to preserve and set aside nearly 50,000 acres as a national park—Mesa (Spanish for high tableland) and Verda (meaning green, from the cedar trees).

Many narrow canyons with high, sheer walls open into the valley. In their sides are many of the best-preserved specimens of cliff dwellings known. A large human population lived in these cave-huts on the sides of these sandstone cliffs. They believed that they were dependent upon the gods to make the rainfall so their crops would grow and worshiped the sun as the father of all and the earth as the mother who brought all material blessings. Apparently they possessed no written language and recorded their thoughts only by means of symbols.

Cliff Palace, the largest dwelling—a community house—had over 200 dwelling rooms, in addition to many sacred rooms called kivas. Sun Temple, a mysterious ruin, shaped like a letter D, is over 120 feet long and 64 feet wide.

As the population of this community increased the floor of the caves was covered with rooms, and finally they emerged from the caves altogether and builded pueblos on top of the mesas in the open country.

A visit to these ruins is much like going back into another world.

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YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK.

YELLOWSTONE, our oldest and largest national park, is considerably larger than the state of Delaware. Its altitude ranges from 6,000 to 11,000 feet above sea level. It contains such a large collection of weird and freak natural phenomena that the visitor gains the impression the Great Creator of all things must have roamed over the world, collecting all the odd things he saw, dumping them here in one great disordered heap.

There are more geysers than in all the rest of the world put together. They range from tiny openings, spouting water but a few feet, at intervals of a few minutes, to the great giant, larger than a well, projecting a column of water 250 to 300 feet high, for a period of several minutes at intervals of several days. There are numerous waterfalls, the great fall of the Yellowstone river in the gorgeously colored, 20-mile-long Grand canyon, being 308 feet high. There are many hot springs and small lakes, also the largest lake—Yellowstone—at its height in North America. There are several paint pots—great cauldrons of blubbering, hissing mud; many steam vents and boiling pools, a natural bridge, a roaring mountain, a mountain of volcanic glass, petrified trees and wedded trees.

At Norris basin is said to be the thinnest known portion of the earth's crust. Standing there, the visitor needs no assurance that his satanic majesty resides near by.

Yellowstone, known far and wide for its wild flowers, is also the largest wild game preserve in the world.

The Wonders of America

By T. T. MAXEY

MOUNT RAINIER NATIONAL PARK

"THE mountain that was God," wrote John D. Williams. "Mount Big Snow," said the Indian. At any rate, the most wonderful mountain in the United States—its hoary-headed peak piercing the blue sky to a height of almost three miles, while its base covers a hundred square miles of territory. Its isolation, standing alone as it does instead of in a range, makes its mightiness all the more impressive.

Uncle Sam created a national park around it and thus preserved it as one of our greatest sights, so we can all go and see it and wonder for ourselves.

Like all volcanoes, Rainier built up its cone from the material thrown out from its interior. But a terrific explosion destroyed its conelike top and greatly reduced its height. It has not been in eruption for nearly 50 years, though steam jets sometimes melt the snow at its summit and hot springs flow from its base.

Twenty-eight glaciers, born from the snow which covers the mountain, radiate from its peak and form one of the largest known glacial systems. From these great ice fields there naturally lead off numerous streams and rivers which find their way, through beautiful canyons, to the lower altitudes. Below the glaciers, in an open space which circles the mountain, grow millions of gorgeous wild flowers, presenting a beautiful spectacle as well as a marvelous contrast to the snow above. Below the flowers are dense and immense forests of fir, spruce and cedar.

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The Plan is Simple. Select the Club you wish to join and bring in your first deposit. We will give you a Pass Book showing the Club joined and the amount deposited.

Deposits are to be made Weekly or in advance.

The following table explains the Club plan:

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You begin with the LARGEST payment and DECREASE each week.

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50c. Club	Deposit 50c each week—in 50 weeks you have	25.00
$1 Club	Deposit $1 each week—in 50 weeks you have	50.00
$2 Club	Deposit $2 each week—in 50 weeks you have	100.00
$5 Club	Deposit $5 each week—in 50 weeks you have	250.00
$10 Club	Deposit $10 each week—in 50 weeks you have	500.00
$20 Club	Deposit $20 each week—in 50 weeks you have	1,000.00
$50 Club	Deposit $50 each week—in 50 weeks you have	2,500.00
$100 Club	Deposit $100 each week—in 50 weeks you have	5,000.00

We invite you to come in and join now.
You will receive 5 per cent Interest

CITIZENS STATE BANK

A $1.50 on subscription would be an appreciated Xmas gift by the printer folks

Christmas Gifts

To be fully appreciated must be useful and appropriate gifts.

At Ferriman's Store

You will be able to choose a gift to please every member of the family. You will find no better place to make your selections than in this store.

Here are a few suggestions:---

Handercheifs, Hosiery, Neckware, Slippers, Shoes, Gloves, Camisoles, Sweaters, Bath Robe Blankets, Blankets, Night Robes, Pajamas, Hats, Caps, Shirts, Belts, Purses, Hand Bags, Suit Cases, Trunks, Table Linen, Fancy Stationery, Cuff Buttons, Stick Pins, Small Jewelry of all kinds, Xmas Candies, Fruit and Nuts.

Seven more days for your Xmas buying. Visit our store. Here you will find many Holiday Bargains.

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The highest quality at the lowest price. Quick Service
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FOUR IN FAMILY OF CONVICT HAVE DIED BY VIOLENCE

William E. Murrah, sentenced to hang for the poisoning of his brother and whose sentence was commuted by the governor to life imprisonment, was brought to the pententiary today by Sheriff Batton of Eddy County, accompanied by F. E. Wilson, assistant district attorney, and W. T. Reed, of the Carlsbad Argus. A check artist named Bell, was also brought to the prison. Murrah's father and three brothers have all met violent deaths in the past few years and the family probably holds a record for figuring in murder trials —Santa Fe New Mexican.

SANTA FE MAN HERE

W. E. Goodloe, division freight and passenger agent, of Amarillo, Tex. as, was in Hagerman Tuesday. He was accompanied by M. W. Evans, of Lake Arthur, and they were here investigating the prospects of developing the dairy industry in this vicinity. A well developed movement is on to put in a condensary at Lake Arthur, the establishment of the enterprise depending very largely upon the extent to which the farmers of this and other communities adjacent to Lake Arthur would take hold of dairying as one of the primary industries. Mr. Goodloe stated that the Santa Fe would assist in every way possible in fostering such an industry in the Pecos Valley.—Hagerman Messenger.

NO DOUBT

Dickson had been absent from his "office" for several days and on his return a friend insisted on knowing where he had been.

"Out to see a friend of mine who has a still," confessed Dickson.

"And did you sample his stuff?" the friend demanded.

"I guess I must have," he sighed, "there are still two days I can't account for."

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
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Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, N. M.,

Notice is hereby given that Miles R. Chotes, of Lakewood, N. M., who, on February 27, 1920, made Homestead Entry No. 047837, for S½ S½ Section 4, Township 20-S, Range 25 E. N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final Commutation Proof to establish claim to the land above described, before S. W. Gilbert, U. S. Commissioner at Artesia, N. M., on the 31st day of December, 1921.

Claimant names as witnesses:
George Louis Howell, Walter McDonald, Dwight M. Lee, James Howell, all of Lakewood, N. M.

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Nov18Dec16 Register.

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GET MAIL 14 YEARS OLD

Hutchinson, Kan., Dec. 2.—The little obscure town of Ford, near here, was all "het up" tonight. Mail was being distributed—sacks of it—big piles of it—for it had been accumulating in the little postoffice for fourteen years.

The old postmaster, George T. Herzer, who had officated for the past seventeen years, died recently. When the postal inspectors visited the office to check up, money transactions balanced to a cent, but a mass of undelivered mail was found which fairly staggered them.

Poked away in niches and corners, stored away in old boxes and piled up in cupboard were thousands of letters, some posted over fourteen years ago. They had not been called for and the aged postmaster, making no further attempt to deliver them had hidden them away.

Many to whom the mail was addressed are now dead or have moved from the town. But to those who remain the distributing tonight was proving an exciting—and to some, an embarrassing event.

Sedate matrons with good sized families received love letters from swains of a decade ago. Settled married men who had always led their wives to believe they had never had another girl, were receiving epistles filled with "sweet nothings," sweethearts fourteen years back.

A business firm of this city received an order mailed seven years ago by a writer who had been dead two years. One woman was delighted to receive her graduation announcment of the spring of 1917.

Country folks for miles around were flocking in to see if they shared in the distribution, while the new postmaster, rumaging over the dusty piles of faded letters, had his own idea of his new job, which would not look well in print.—Santa Fe New Mexican.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE.
IN THE DISTRICT COURT, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.
No. 3428.
W. A. Steelman, Plaintiff,
vs.
Barney Currie and Mae Currie, Defendants.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a decree of foreclosure, made in the above entitled cause on the 30th day of September, 1921, in which the amount awarded to plaintiff, together with interest to the date of sale, is Thirty-Five Hundred, Thirty-Eight and 25|100 ($3538.25) Dollars and costs, and for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage described therein upon certain real estate and water right hereinafter described, and ordering said real estate and said water right sold to satisfy said judgment, I, the undersigned Special Master, appointed under said decree, will sell at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash at ten o'clock A. M., on January 3rd, 1922, at the front door of the First National Bank at Artesia, Eddy county, New Mexico, the following described real estate and water right situate in Eddy County, New Mexico, to-wit: The NW¼ of the SE¼; the NE¼ of the SW¼ and the SE¼ of the SE¼ of Section Twenty (20); W½ of the SW¼ and SW¼ of the NW¼ of Section Twenty-One (21) and the NE¼ of the SE¼ of Section twenty (20) all in Township Seventeen (17), South, Range Twenty-Three (23) East, N. M. P. M., containing 280 acres, and one six-hour water right in the Hope community Ditch, said right being No. 98, as shown by the books of said Hope Community Ditch, to satisfy said judgment, costs and costs of sale.

Dated December 1, 1921.
J. B. ATKESON,
2Dec23 Special Master.

NOTICE
STATE ENGINEER'S OFFICE
Number of Application 1474.

Santa Fe, N. M., November 28, 1921.—Notice is hereby given that on the 28th day of November, 1921, in accordance with Section 26, Chapter 49, Irrigation Laws of 1907, T. J. Terry of Artesia, County of Eddy, State of New Mexico, made formal application to the State Engineer of New Mexico for a permit to appropriate the Public Waters of the State of New Mexico.

Such appropriation is to be made from Cottonwood Creek at a point which bears N. 43 degrees 45 minutes W, 1470 feet distant from the S 1-4 corner of Sec. 2, T. 16 S. of R. 25 E, N. M. P. M. being in the SE 1-4 SW 1-4 of said Sec. 2. by means of earth diversion dam and 960 acre feet is to be conveyed to NE 1-4 Sec. 13 T. 16, S. of R. 25 E., N. M. P. M., and NW 1-4 of Sec. 18, T. 16, S. of R. 26 E, N. M. P. M. by means of main canal and laterals and there use for the irrigation of above described 320 acres and domestic purposes.

Any person, firm, association or corporation deeming that the granting of the above application would be truly detrimental to their rights in the water of said stream system shall file a complete statement of their objections substantiated by affidavits with the State Engineer and serve a copy on applicant on or before the 25th day of February, 1922, the date set for the Engineer to take this application up for final consideration unless protested. In case of protested applications all parties will be given a reasonable length of time in which to submit their evidence in detail or arrange a date convenient for a hearing or appoint a referee satisfactory to all to take testimony. Appearance is not necessary unless advised officially by letter from the State Engineer.

CHAS. A. MAY,
State Engineer.

Christmas Gift.

DEAR MR. MOTORIST:

A serviceable Xmas gift for you and a chance to replace that bad tire with those other good ones. Beginning December 19th until the night of Demember 24th, we will give FREE a new tube with every new tire bought. A can of cold patch with every tube bought. You have the following tires to pick from: Gates, Fisk Firestone and Oldfield. These tires are all first-class with the serial number. Guaranteed 5 to 6 thousand miles.

The tube and cold patch is a Xmas gift to you.

30x3 1-2 tires: Gates $14.90; Fisk $14.75; Firestone $11.65; Oldfield $9.99. We stand behind every tire we sell.

Thanking you for past patronage and soliciting your future business. We wish you a Merry Xmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Yours for better tire service,
B. F. PIOR TIRE COMPANY.
Artesia, New Mexico.

Dallas, Tex., Dec. 8.—Highly complimenting the First National Bank of Artesia on its cooperation in the Savings Movement with the United States Government Savings Division, Dinsmore W. Hume, Federal Director, has addressed a special letter to all f the 1800-dd banks in the Eleventh Federal Reserve District.

The local bank has been very active in acquainting Artesia people with the merits of the $25, $100, and $1000 Registered Treasury Savings Certificates, and encouraging investment in Government securities.

Excellent work is also being done by the Artesia postmaster, Mr. Hume said.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.
No. 447.
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE LOU W. ROTHMAN, DECEASED.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR.

Notice is hereby given that on the 10th day of November, 1921, I, George M. Winans of Artesia, N. M., was by the Probate Court of Eddy County, at a regular day of the November, 1921 Term, duly appointed Executor of the Estate of Lou W. Rothman, Deceased, and that I have duly qualified as such Executor.

All persons holding claims against said Estate are hereby notified to file same with me, as Executor of said Estate, within the time required by law and all claims not so filed will be forever barred.

Dated this the 28th day of November, 1921.
GEORGE M. WINANS,
12-23 Executor.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM W. MAJOR, DECEASED.
No. 448

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR.

Notice is hereby given that on the 10th day of November, 1921, I, John S. Major of Artesia, N. Mexico, was, by the Probate Court of Eddy County, at a regular day of the November, 1921 Term, duly appointed Executor of the Estate of William W. Major, Deceased, and that I have duly qualified as such Executor.

All persons holding claims against said Estate are hereby notified to file same with me, as Executor of said Estate, within the time required by law and all claims not so filed will be forever barred.

Dated this the 28th day of November, 1921.
JOHN S. MAJOR,
12-23 Executor.

Silver City and all of Southwestern New Mexico are covered with a blanket of snow, the first of the winter season. Snow in this region averages from three to six and eight inches in depth. The storm set in about midnight and continued today. In the mountain region the snowfall is unusually heavy. The storm is reported general over all of the Southwest. The moisture is greatly needed and will help stockmen and farmers generally.—Silver City Independent.

11 HANGED AFTER BEING CONVICTED

Washington, Dec. 8.—Eleven members of the American Expeditionary Forces were hanged in France after conviction by military court martial, Colonel Walter E. Bethel, assistant judge advocate of the army, testified today before the senate committee, which is investigating the charges of Senator Watson that American soldiers were hanged without trial in France.

NOTICE!

Appointment of receivership for the Lawton Gas & Electric Company at Lawton, Okla., in no way effects our plant in Artesia. The Lawton Gas & Electric Co. at Lawton is not a subsidiary of the Southwestern Cities Electric Compnny, but a subsidiary of the Keys Corporation and the subsidiary of the Keys Corporation alone are affected by this receivership. Therefore all electric bills of the Pecos Valley Gas & Electric Co. are now due and payable at the office of the company. Consumers who fail to pay accounts by the fifteenth of December will as usual be discontinued. Your compliance with our request will aid us materially in rendering you good service. Can we not count on your co-operation? Signed,

Pecos Valley Gas & Elec. Co.
By Albert H. Keys,
Secretary and General Manager.

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Difficult repairs of all kinds our specialty
Better equipped to handle and guarantee our work at reasonable prices than any shopin the VALLEY.
TRY US OUT AND BE CONVINCED
AUTO SUPPLIES and STANDARD TIRES at lowest price in history.
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The Wonders of America

By T. T. MAXEY

THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS.

A LIBRARY for congress was an unquestioned necessity. Consequently, the congressional library was founded about the same time the government was first established, or in 1800. It was entirely destroyed by fire in the war of 1812 and also suffered seriously from fire at a later date. So, congress authorized the construction of a building that could not be burned. Result, the present structure, completed in 1897, said to be the most perfectly adapted for the convenient use and storage of books of any large library in the world, likewise the largest, costliest and safest.

It consists of three stories, a basement and a dome, covers almost three and one-half acres and has a total floor space of about eight acres. You can better grasp the magnitude of this building, when I tell you that it contains 22,000,000 brick, to say nothing of the other materials, and has 69,200 shelves with a total length of about forty miles.

It now houses considerably more than one million books and pamphlets, which is the largest single collection on the western hemisphere. Its estimated total capacity is about 1,900,800 publications. Its more than 2,000 windows render it the best lighted library in the world.

The colorings of the reading room are soft, quiet, rich and warm, being conducive to the greatest comfort. The walls carry many helpful and inspiring inscriptions. Its conspicuous beauty or charm, however, is in the wonderful mural decorative scheme, it being, unquestionably, the most gorgeously decorated public building in America.

B. F. Sanford received word yesterday from Peabody, Kansas, that his father had died on that day. He leaves tonight for that Peabody to attend the funeral.

Rev. Moon of Hope was here on business Monday.

Mrs. Abe Burnett was over from Hope Wednesday.

An appropriate Xmas present. A pair of glasses. Ask Edward Stone.

Miss Bess Boyd came from Dallas this week to spend a fortnight with her sister, Mrs. C. E. Mann and family.

THE WOMANS' CLUB.

The romance of the "Big Bend" country of southwestern Texas, as given by Mrs. Lowery at the club meeting of Wednesday afternoon brought out a new phase of the Southwest. The book was written by Carlyle Graham Roht, and gives the history as well as well as romance of the Big Bend section.

"The Blood of the Conquerors" the scene of which is laid at Albuquerque, was reviewed by Mrs. Corbin. This fascinating tale was written by Harvey Ferguson, a native of New Mexico, who deals with the local conditions and the descendents of the old Spanish canquistadores with an understandin' heart. Many phases of life peculiar to this section are woven into this typical tale of New Mexico.

The club will take a holiday vacation, the next annual business meeting being held on January 11. The program on that day will be upon Thrift.

The Art Exhibit, which the Club had on display for ten days, was viewed by a large number of people, many dropping in several times to see these gems by the artists who paint at Santa Fe. The kindness of Mr. McClay in loaning his store room for the purpose made the exhibit easily accessible to the public.

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Better vision. Edward Stone.

W. L. Myman and family were in Roswell Tuesday.

A practical Xmas gift. A pair of glasses. Ask Edward Stone.

Editor Wimberly of Hagerman was in Artesia on business Monday.

Tom Batton was a county seat visitor Tuesday

A dandy shipment of trout just received at City Market.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Benson have returned from a visit in Texas.

Just received a nice shipment of fresh trout at City Market.

Mr. and Mrs. Burkland leave today for their home at Centerville, Iowa.

Messrs. R. G. Knoedler and George Long and their wives were Roswell visitors Tuesday.

Give your best friends a pair of glasses for Christmas. Ask Edward Stone.

ACCLIMATED TREES

Fruit Trees, Shade Trees and Ornamentals. Order Now. Catalogue free.

ALBUQUERQUE NURSERIES,
Box 216, Albuquerque, N. M.
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There will be preaching at the first Christian Church Sunday, December 18th. The subject for discussion at the morning service will be "The Seven Helpers." The subject for the evening service is "Convertion of a Nobleman."

Come at 11 o'clock in the morning and at 7 o'clock for the evening service. You will hear God's word spoken in a worthwhile way.

A MESSAGE FROM SANTA CLAUS

My dear, dear children, how happy I was to see you last Saturday in Roswell. It did my heart good to look into your faces and see what dear children you are. Your Santy loves you and will come again on Christmas, but this time it will be when all are tucked in bed fast asleep and all is still as a mouse.

Now, kiddies, be sure and write your letters to me and drop them in the Big Red Chimney at the Roswell Hardware Company. Write your name and address very plainly, as I expect to answer every letter I find in the Big Red Chimney.

SANTA CLAUS.

Santa Claus

On his preliminary Inspection trip, will visit

Artesia Saturday
December 17, 2 o'clock

Will arrive at The First National Bank corner at the hour stated and will expect to see every child in this whole country present. A THOUSAND LITTLE GIFTS for distribution.

All parents requested to be present to see Santa. Remember the date.

Signed,
Happy Holiday
Secretary to Santa Claus

Say!

NEGLECT of your town paper came very near driving it from your city. Now, since the greater number of citizens have rallied to the paper with a guarantee of advertistng, each month, it will remain in your city as long as we can live and the town grows. There are still a few business men in the city who have not helped, and if we have not approached you, and you will volunteer to place an advertisement each week we will keep this paper going for our interest and your town interests. Will you do it? Others have given their guarantee. Do you think as much of your town paper? $1.50 for a years subscription, now, will help maintain the paper.

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FOR SALE—Three good milk cows, coming fresh soon. Will McCaw, on McFadden farm.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—One full blooded Jersey bull three years old. W. J. Figge,
2t Lake Arthur.

FOR SALE—A new Coles Hot Blast Heat, cheap. City Bakery.

FOR SALE.— An old fashioned top desk. An old style Smith Premier typewriter. An electric fan. Call at the Advocate office.

FOR SALE.—Duroc Boar.
W. A. BRYAN.

FOR SALE—Live stock, hogs, horses, dairy cows, farming tools, wagons, cultivators, harness, etc. Call at Dayton Farm, green buildings, Dayton, N. M.

FOR SALE—One 1 ton Ford truck. See W. L. Wyman, Artesia.

FOR RENT—Modern 5 room dwelling in excellent repair, just refinished. Light housekeeping apartments, steam heat, electric lights. Kennath & Son.

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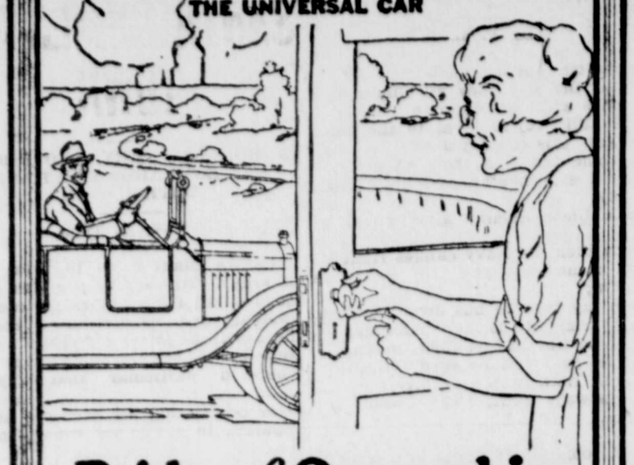

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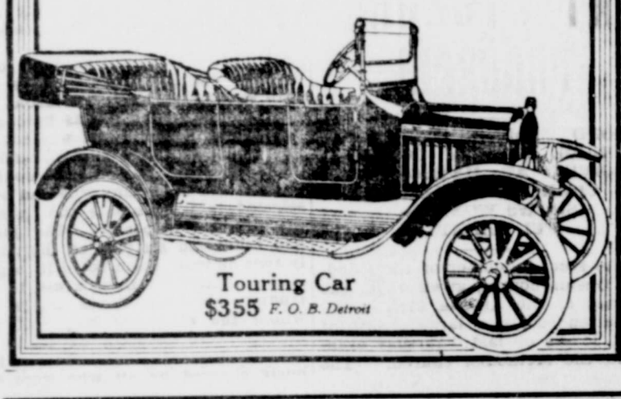

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Mrs. J. R. Atterberry was hostess to a large number of ladies at her home on Monday afternoon, in honor of Miss Bessie Boyd, who is to be married soon to Theodore Russel of Dallas, Texas.

Many useful and beautiful articles were presented to the honor guest by the other ladies present. A parcel containing the gifts, was delivered to Miss Boyd by a special messenger. This unique method of presentation was very amusing to all present.

Delicious rrfreshments, consisting of cake and fruit jelly with whipped cream were served by Miss Virginia Atteberry.

The following ladies were present: Misses Jenna Mae Atterberry and Jeanette Williamson, and Mesdames James, Young, Jessie, Recer, White, Solomon Mann and the honor guest.

Mrs. C. E. Mann entertained on Tuesday afternoon with a delightful "Thimble Party" in honor of her sister, Miss Bessie Boyd, who is visiting from Dallas, Tex. A large number of ladies were present at this joyful occasion at the beautiful home of Mrs. Mann on South Roselawn.

A varied and interesting program was rendered by some of the guests. Mesdames Martin Yates, Dayton Recer and R. G. White favored the group with musical numbers, Mirs Boyd also sang a solo. Refreshments consisting of marshmallow pudding tipped with whipped cream and cherries, cake and cocanut macooms were served.

The following ladies were present: Miss Bessie Boyd, the honor guest, Nell Frances, Jenna Mae Atteberry and Jeannette Williamson and Mesdames Frisch, White, Stroup, Knoedler, James, Gates, Wheatley, Jessie, Recer, Corbin, Yates, Young, Osis Brown and the hostess.

The Wonders of America
By T. T. MAXEY

THE AMERICAN DEAD SEA.

IF YOU can imagine a lake 100 miles long, 25 miles wide, with an average depth of 20 feet—60 feet is the greatest depth recorded—almost 1,000 miles inland and 4,250 feet above sea level, you can form some conception of this world marvel—Great Salt lake.

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Scientists figure that the lake contains more than 8,000,000,000 tons of salt and almost 800,000,000 tons of sulphate of soda. Allowing 60 tons to a carload, that would be 133,333,333 cars of salt and 13,333,333 cars of soda. Assuming 40 feet as the average length of a freight car and you have a train of salt 1,010,101 miles long and a train of soda 101,010 miles long. The average speed of a freight train is about 20 miles an hour. Running at this speed, day and night, it would take the two trains over six years to pass a given point. The value of these cargoes would be probably $10,000,000,000.

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Select what you need now.

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The Rexall Store

Drugs Cigars

Soda Candies

A Christmas Eve Dance.

At the Odd Fellows hall the entertainment committee of the Clarence Kepple Post, American Legion, will give a Christmas Eve dance Saturday evening December 24. The ball room will be appropriately and artistically decorated in keeping with the holiday season. Ham's Jazz Houns' have been engaged to furnish music for the occasion.

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THE MOUNTAIN KINGDOM OF COLORADO.

AMONG all the mountain kingdoms, Colorado — "the Perpendicular state"—stands easily first in physical adornment. In Colorado 100,000 square miles contain 155 mountain peaks that are more than 13,000 feet high. Colorado contains 103,925 square miles. Of this vast area, as big as all New England with Indiana added, two-thirds is mountainous.

The state is traversed by the main chain of the Rocky mountains, the oft-quoted "backbone of the continent," the huge roof-tree of our republic. Prolific mother of rivers, this great watershed gives rise to the Rio Grande, the two Plattes, the Arkansas, many "lesser lights" and the Colorado, that, in Arizona, passes for 200 miles between those sheer red walls that constitute one of the scenic wonders of the world, and flows at last into foreign seas. There are about 6,000 miles of running water, born of snow and filled with fish; 500 lakes, large and small, some distinguished with a famous name, others still asleep in mountain hollows, almost unknown.

It is a strange country. The very name is a memento of the passing race that, first of Europeans, saw these serene, reddish-brown peaks leaning against the sky. The name means red, light brown, ruddy, florid and may even be a synonym for joyousness. Life is more than an existence in Colorado. Nature seems ever beckoning one to come and romp with her. The sun shines with almost the same regularity as the dawn appears. Colorado is one of the greatest heritages of the American people.

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