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FORMER GOVERNOR LINDSEY TAKES LIFE

Former Governor Washington E. Lindsey, took his own life Monday morning at 8:30 o'clock at his home in North Portales.

Lying on a couch, he fired the fatal shot from an automatic, piercing his heart, passing through the body and bedding. Death was instantaneous.

The first warning that the public received was a telephone message from Mrs. Lindsey to Mr. Oldham, telling him to come and come quick. On arriving at the Lindsey home he found the lifeless form of the Governor.

Governor Lindsey had been in ill health for some time, and in February had a very severe attack of flu while living in Albuquerque. On recovering sufficiently, he removed to Portales, where he planned to resume his practice of law here.

The cause of his rash act was probably despondency over his ill health, and from a message which he left behind, it was indicated that he had contemplated the act for some time.

The Governor was one of the early settlers of Portales and for years had been identified with the activities of town and community. At the time of his death he was a member of the Portales School Board, to which position he was elected when the campaign was begun for the building of the new high school building. The drop curtain in the main auditorium was the idea of the governor, and the painting was executed as a result. The governor stood high in the town and state.

He began active work for statehood in 1903, and kept up the fight until New Mexico was admitted as a state.

On March 23, 1903, he was appointed clerk of the Probate Court of the new county of Roosevelt, by Gov. Otero.

For years he served as United States Commissioner at Portales, and thousands of homestead filings were made before him.

He was prominent in the councils of the Republican party, both state and national.

Elected lieutenant governor in 1916, Mr. Lindsey became governor upon the death of E. C. De Baca 46 days after beginning a two year term.

At the time of his death, Mr. Lindsey was 64 years old and had not retired from the practice of law which he took up at Portales in 1909.

At the close of his term of office at Santa Fe, the Republican party failed to nominate Mr. Lindsey for re-election. Returning to Portales he resumed his law practice.

Born in Ohio

Born in Belmont county, Ohio, in 1862, Mr. Lindsey was graduated from the University of Michigan with degrees of B. A. and B. L.

He began the practice of his profession at Chicago in 1891. He remained in that city until 1900 when he came to New Mexico. Making his first home at Roswell, he moved to Portales in a few months.

Lived at Portales

During his residence at Portales, he served the city as mayor, president of the board of education and United States commissioner. He held the latter office for 16 years.

In business he was president of the Portales Townsite company and president of the Portales Irrigation company for many years.

He was a member of the Congregational church.

In 1891, Mr. Lindsey married Miss Almada C. Haughton, whose death occurred some time ago. Among the survivors is his second wife, formerly Miss Bertha Becker of Albuquerque.

Other Survivors

Other survivors include one daughter, Miss Helen Lindsey of Portales; two sons, Howard of California and Miguel of Texas. He is also survived by other relatives in Ohio.

Mr. Lindsey made his home in Albuquerque for some time last fall, having built the Lindsey apartments in the Highlands.

The Governor and Mrs. Lindsey had just remodeled their home in North Portales, and prospects were bright for a pleasant and happy decline in life, when physicians discovered that the governor had an incurable disease, the knowledge of which caused him to loose his nerve.

The sympathy of the entire state is with the bereaved wife and children.

Did you know that man ate meat before agriculture and the cereals were known?

FUNERAL OF GOV. LINDSEY TO BE HELD FRIDAY MORNING

The funeral services of Gov. W. E. Lindsey will be held Friday morning at 10:00 o'clock at the Baptist church, Joe F. Grizzle conducting the services.

The interment in the Portales cemetery.

COE HOWARD TO BUILD NEW THEATRE AT FT. SUMNER

Coe Howard purchased lot and made contract for the erection of a new concrete and brick theatre building at Ft. Sumner last Saturday.

Since the assurance of the Alamogordo dam, Ft. Sumner has stepped into the limelight and is destined to make one of the leading towns of Eastern New Mexico.

KNIGHT TEMPLER SERVICE

Clovis Commandery number 14, held their annual Easter services in Portales last Sunday afternoon at three o'clock at the First Baptist church.

Masons of every rank, including the Eastern Star participated in the program, marching in the procession from the Masonic Hall to the Baptist Church. Many Sir Knights, and members of the other branches of the order from Clovis, Elida and Portales attended the services.

The line of march was formed by Sir Knight Priddy, with the Eastern Stars in first place, the Masters second, followed by a guard of DeMolais, with the Sir Knights last in line in full uniform. The march was down liberty street to the church where a beautiful musical program was rendered. Sir Knight, the Reverend Joe F. Grizzle, preached the sermon for the occasion.

The services were impressive, and the Knight Templers of Portales appreciate the kindness of the Clovis Commandery in bringing the services to us this time.

STARTS MOVE TO ADD TWO MORE JUSTICES TO SUPREME COURT

The State Bar association may get behind a move to increase the supreme court to include five justices.

Assistant Attorney General James N. Bujac has drafted a bill providing for the election of two additional justices and submitted it to James C. Hervey, Roswell president of the association and it is believed likely that Mr. Hervey will bring the matter before the legislative committee of the association.

The court may be enlarged by a legislative act, the constitution providing that after the 1920 census the legislature may add two more justices. Mr. Bujac's bill, if it is backed by the bar, cannot be passed before 1927, when the legislature holds its regular session. With this in mind, provision is made for the election of the two additional members at the 1925 election.

The business of the supreme court has been steadily increasing prospects that it will continue to grow, and according to Mr. Bujac, the time has come in the opinion of many lawyers when the number of justices ought to be augmented.

MAY GO EASY ON OIL MEN

Santa Fe, April 3.—Assessments on personal property used in the production of oil will probably not be made by the commission, it was hinted by J. E. Owens, state tax commissioner, this morning following a conference with Neil B. Field and George T. Bradley, attorneys for the Santa Fe and Continental Oil Companies.

Representatives declared that the law authorizing such taxes is detrimental to the best interests of the state and the oil companies and works a hardship on experimental wells.

"We desire to be fair to the oil companies and other taxpayers," Mr. Owens said, "We will determine what is best by taking into account the law on production. We desire to see the resources developed and will do nothing to hinder production."

Patiently Waiting



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Call for Democratic Central Committee Meeting

I hereby call a meeting of the Roosevelt County Democratic Central Committee to be held at the Court House at Portales on Wednesday, April 14th, 1926, at 11:00 A. M. for the purpose of canvassing the returns of the primary election held April 8th 1926 and for such other business as may come before the committee.

J. A. FAIRLY, County Chairman.

Attest:—

J. H. Baccow
Secretary.

HENRY GEORGE ADDS MODERN EQUIPMENT TO MORTUARY DEPARTMENT

Henry George has added a Frigid Lowering Device to his undertaking department, which will be of great convenience.

This equipment is of the latest model, and bespeaks much for the progressiveness of this firm.

THE POTATO CROP

That Portales will maintain her reputation as the Sweet Potato town, is shown by the activities of the Portales Valley farmers in planning their potato crop. Many plants were injured by the late freeze, but there will be considerable increased acreage over last season.

Mrs. Edwin Neer and Mrs. Harry Buchanan will entertain the members of the U. D. C's on the third Tuesday in April with a luncheon at one o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Buchanan. They ask that all members of the U. D. C's who can come please let them know.

BIG LAND SALE AT KENTUCKY VALLEY

One of the biggest real estate deals ever consummated in Roosevelt County has reached the contract stage. A banker by the name of Turner from Lamesa, Texas is buying the land and cattle of Uncle Charley Meyers, Mrs. J. H. Fleming, Casey Smith and Mrs. Barrett (formerly Mrs. Reese). The number of acres in the deal is reported to be 5920. The price per acre ranges from \$5.00 to \$10.00 per acre which amounts to about \$55,000. This added to the price of \$35.00 per head for 400 cattle makes a grand total of right at \$70,000. Mrs. Fleming and son, Aubrey will join relatives in Denver.—Roosevelt County Record.

The well for the canning factory was completed Tuesday of this week, and everything is being put in readiness for the opening of the canning season.

ONE THOUSAND ACRES COTTON AT REDLAKE

Redlake, which is about 16 miles southwest from Portales is one of the better farming sections of Roosevelt County, and before the rains most of the farmers had their land prepared for planting, and much new land is being broken and the farming acreage will almost be doubled in this community this year.

We are informed there will be a total of about 1020 acres planted in cotton immediately around Redlake this spring. Among the larger crops will be J. C. Johnson 150 acres, C. F. Morrison 100 acres, Frank Simmacher and Mr. Mote 150 acres, S. H. Burke 80 acres, C. Price 60 acres, and Lloyd Hornsey 50 acres, Fred Hasenak 100 acres, John Verdon 80 acres, and Rex Forrest place 200 acres.

In addition to this cotton acreage there will be good acreage on the Spire Farm, and every farmer in the community will have some cotton, and judging from the way the land has been prepared and the class of farmers there are around Redlake they will properly cultivate this cotton and with the seasons we already have are assured of results.

Redlake wants a Gin, and if not this year they hope to have enough acreage next year to be sure to get a Gin. In addition to this cotton acreage these farmers will have crops of feed and some Broom Corn and Corn, and will have corn and feed and broom corn to sell in addition to a possible 500 bales of cotton to gather and market this fall.

SHEPHERD IS KILLED BY M GREEN-LEE AT TOWN DEXTER

From Roswell Record—

S. A. Shepherd, proprietor of the Gordon Auto Camp ground on East Second street, was shot and instantly killed at 7:30 o'clock Saturday night by M. Greenlee, an employee of the Felix bridge crew. The killing occurred on the main Roswell-Dexter highway, just east of where the road turns into Dexter.

Greenlee is now held in the county jail here on a charge of murder in connection with the death of Shepherd and will be given a preliminary hearing within a few days.

The facts in the case were related by local officers who spent a large part of Saturday night and Sunday investigating this case are that Shepherd in company with Greenlee's wife were on their way south and had just turned east going into Dexter when they were met by Greenlee, who was coming toward Roswell in another car.

Greenlee, according to officers, stopped Shepherd and caused his wife to get out of the car whereupon he shot Shepherd. The shot entered the right side and is supposed to have caused instant death. The motor of the car was still running when deputy sheriff Frank Crane, of Dexter, arrived on the scene.

Greenlee, officers said, then took his wife and went to Hagerman where he gave himself up to deputy sheriff, Elmer Nail. So far as is known no words passed between Shepherd and Greenlee immediately prior to the firing of the fatal shot.

Greenlee was married three weeks ago in this city to Madie Summers, of Hagerman, according to local records. Officers said that Greenlee returning from his work on the Felix bridge Saturday night found his wife absent from their home and started in search of her with the result that Shepherd was killed.

The killing was done with a 38 s&w&bullet, the bullet being removed from the body yesterday. A coroners inquest was held at Dexter yesterday morning the verdict being that Shepherd came to his death as a result of a gunshot wound fired by M. Greenlee. Greenlee has been in this section only a few months.

Shepherd was 56 years of age and besides his widow, leaves a son J. Shepherd, of Olton, Texas, and small son, Bert Shepherd, of Brownfield, Texas, also three daughters, Mrs. B. B. McCoy and Mrs. M. C. Butler of Lubbock, and Mrs. Carrie May Shepherd of Brownfield. Shepherd came here eight months ago and purchased the Garden Auto Camp ground on East Second street.

NEW INDUSTRY FOR PORTALES

I. L. Adams has purchased a potato chip machine, and in the near future will begin the manufacture of this table product. This is a new industry for this section of the country, and the News is glad to see it located in Portales.

Miss Myna Lou Hill left Sunday for Roswell on a visit to her mother, Mrs. J. L. Taylor.

R. G. BRYANT ELECTED MAYOR OF PORTALES

The town election Tuesday of this week was perhaps the warmest contested election ever held in Portales.

The race for Mayor between Wat Stewart for re-election and R. G. Bryant, occupied the spot light, and it is estimated that more people voted than had ever voted in a city election in Portales in previous years.

The result of the election was as follows:

FOR MAYOR—
R. G. Bryant.....297
Wat Stewart.....258

FOR TOWN TRUSTEES—
(Four to elect)
A. D. Ribble.....286
E. N. Smith.....412
John W. Ballow.....396
C. W. Ison.....263
J. N. McCall.....354
J. B. Raymond.....172
S. B. Owens.....107

FOR TOWN CLERK—
J. Clint Fairly.....101
H. G. Rowley.....63
A. W. Freeman.....292
Norene Jones.....82

The people of Portales have made their choice, and now it is up to every loyal citizen to back up the newly elected officers in that they may give Portales an efficient administration.

CANNING FACTORY WELL STARTS DRILLING

The well to be used by the Portales Canning Company is now being drilled on their lot near the railroad right-of-way.

In the operation of a canning factory so much water is consumed that it was thought advisable to drill their own well.

Work on the building will start soon, and everything will be in readiness to take care of this season's tomato crop.

WORK RUSHED ON THEATRE BUILDING

Work on the new theatre building on Main street is now being rushed. The material is on the ground. The foundation is being run and work of actual construction is now under way.

AMENDMENTS BOULDER DAM BILL PROTECT INTERESTS UPPER STATE-WILSON

Santa Fe, N. M., April 3.—Amendments to the Boulder dam bill, now pending in congress, which are believed to fully protect the interests of the upper states conference at Denver said Attorney General Fred E. Wilson when he returned today.

The object of several amendments is to provide that the Colorado compact will control the distribution of water if the bill passes.

Appropriation of \$250,000 river fund is provided also to enable the secretary of the interior to make investigations to determine the feasibility of irrigation and power projects in New Mexico, Colorado, Wyoming and Utah, the upper states.

The use of water for power is made subservient to irrigation.

PLANT GOOD COTTON SEED

J. H. Lee of the Service Gin Co., says that he has made arrangements whereby the farmers of Roosevelt county may be able to secure good matured cotton seed for planting.

This is of great importance to the cotton industry of Roosevelt county as the past year the majority of the local seed grown was frost bitten and will prove very unsatisfactory. The demand for planting seed this season will be great and necessitate several cars of seed being shipped in.

Farmers who are in need of planting seed will do well to look after securing sufficient seed now, before the planting season is upon them.

The season this year is right for cotton. A wet year in Roosevelt county indicates a wet year in south and east Texas. This being the case, the boll weevil will wreck havoc with the Texas cotton crop, and the Roosevelt county farmers will be sitting on the top of the world with good cotton crop, as they are out of the boll weevil district.

There is no reason why from 10,000 to 20,000 bales of cotton should not be grown and ginned in Roosevelt county this year. The better seed the better the crop.

THE DEMOCRATIC PRECINCT CONVENTION

The Democratic Precinct Convention for Precinct No. 1 was held at the Court House on last Friday night, with Graham Bryant acting as chairman of the convention.

The names of V. J. Campbell and J. A. Fairly were placed in nomination as candidates for the nomination of precinct chairman.

The result of the ballot was:
V. J. Campbell.....23
J. A. Fairly.....46
J. A. Fairly was declared nominated.

The name of Mrs. J. B. Priddy was placed in nomination for Chairwoman. There being no other nominations, Mrs. Priddy was elected by acclamation.

The name of J. W. Ballow was placed in nomination for precinct secretary. There being no other nominations he was elected by acclamation.

The secretary was then instructed to place the names of J. A. Fairly, for Precinct Chairman; Mrs. J. B. Priddy, for Precinct Chairwoman, and John W. Ballow for Precinct Secretary, on the ballots to be used in the primary election for precinct No. 1.

AUTHORIZE PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND BE TAXED IN STATE

Washington, April 2.—Amendment of the constitution of New Mexico to allow taxation of public school lands for their proportionate share in the development of drainage and reclamation projects was authorized in a bill signed today by the president.

Congressional action was necessary to amend the enabling act under which the state constitution was drafted. Representative Messer, Democrat, New Mexico, sponsor of the measure said today that the value of some of the public lands in existing projects, heretofore untaxable, had advanced more than \$100 an acre through the reclamation improvements.

HARD JOIT GIVEN TO SENATE WHEN

Washington, April 2.—Senators who are behind the drive for modification of the prohibition laws today received a couple of rather severe joits.

The first came with the refusal of the judiciary subcommittee to summon other than government officials as witnesses at the prohibition hearings to begin Monday.

The second was in the form of an administration bill tightening up the Volstead Act as an essential to more successful enforcement of the dry statutes.

This measure, containing more or less drastic amendments to the Volstead Act, recommended by Senator Goff, Republican, West Virginia, and will be referred to the judiciary subcommittee.

MUCH NEW LAND BEING PUT IN, IN KENTUCKY VALLEY

In the Kentucky Valley neighborhood there is much new land being put in cultivation this year.

A. R. Wade, who owns a half section in that neighborhood has moved in and is preparing his field for spring planting. This place has laid out for the past ten years, but is one of the best pieces of farming land in that section.

There are a number of new farmers in that district who are preparing for a big acreage this season.

On the J. G. Greaves place C. M. Francis is planning 50 acres of cotton and fifty acres of broom corn. He is also breaking out fifty acres of sod, which will be planted to feed crops.

NEW OVERLAND AGENCY FOR PORTALES
L. E. Hatley has purchased the Overland agency for Portales, and is now located at the Bivins Shaw Hospital building. As soon as he can get possession he will occupy the building now occupied by Sita's Cafe, and Sita's Cafe will occupy one of the New bricks being erected on Colorado street next to the Wilson hotel.

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When this paper goes to press the primary election will be over. It is well known that political campaigns cause much hard feelings and disorganize the county to a great extent. The past primary election has been one of the cleanest campaigns ever made in this Co. and now that the voters have made their choice it is up to everyone to back them up so that they may make good officials when elected this fall.

The News is indeed gratified with the number of new subscribers it is receiving daily. There are many new people moving into the county and hardly a day passes by several new names are added to the subscription list. Roosevelt county is a fine place to live and a place where there are many opportunities. A progressive people are moving in and they will become valuable citizens and enjoy their part of the reward which will come with a greater agricultural development.

Portales Valley farmers are putting out many fruit trees this spring.

The Portales Valley News is not published for the benefit of any man or any group of men. It is owned by the editor, and published in the interest of the people of the whole county. Their prosperity means the prosperity of the publisher. It has fought their battles through the lean years and now that real development looms in the horizon it will continue to serve them in the manner that a newspaper should serve the public.

This week the editor of this paper will be in attendance at the Panhandle Press Association at Amarillo, which meets on Friday and Saturday. This annual vacation will enable us to give the readers of the Portales Valley News a better paper—at any rate it will help dust the cob webs out of the editorial brains as the comparing notes with other editors and publishers prevents one from getting into a deep rut.

The Portales Valley News would like for every farmer in the county to write, giving the acreage they expect to plant this season and the number of acres to each crop. This would be one good way to bring about a full development of Roosevelt county.

Portales is now one of the best paved towns in Eastern New Mexico, and is also served with an excellent sewer system. Portales has grown more in the past two years than in the twenty years previous. Many new buildings will be erected within the next six months and the indications are that Portales will double in population within the next two years.

Secure good mature broom corn seed and then grow a bush that will be in demand. This will be a good broom corn year, and Roosevelt county is gaining a reputation on broom corn.

Did you know that American pioneers sowed pigs' eyes closed to keep them under control while driving them through the country.

Our Washington Letter

Washington, April 6.—With the members of the Senate and House pressing hard for an early adjournment, the situation in Washington may be likened to the closing of school. Everybody is trying to get away for the summer and fall months but seizing every possible advantage to increase their political standing with the home folks. Senate leaders are hoping to complete their program by May 15, and the House is now in a position to wind up its affairs on short notice.

The word has been passed to discourage new legislation at this time. Nobody who introduces any measure from now until the House adjourns risks the censure of his associates in Congress, regardless of party affiliations. Incidentally, the congestion on the Senate and House calendars is bringing about considerable amount of trading. The basic idea of these trades is to have the legislators consult the various leaders and support legislation which he has hitherto opposed in exchange for assistance in promoting bills in which their community or friends are particularly interested.

Two of the most powerful groups in the Senate and House today are the "steering committees," composed of the members of the majority party and selected by the committees on Committee which by the way, is named as an outcome of the organized caucus of the majority. They differ somewhat from the Committee on Rules which has a bipartisan membership.

It is the duty of the steering committee to take a hand in the legislative situation in order that pending measures considered of real consequence to the party in power can find a place at the top of the calendar. For instance, the Republican steering committee has decided that when the Italian debate is out of the way in the Senate the public buildings bill will be next in order of importance. The other measures listed for consideration by the Senate leaders include a bill to provide for the prompt disposal of disputes between railroads and employees; another to amend the national banking law, known as the McFadden bill, and finally a measure to increase the efficiency of the Air Service of the Army.

In the House Speaker Longworth and his associates among the majority leaders have scheduled the passage of a \$75,000,000 bill for development of public highways, an increase in the pensions for Spanish War Veterans; a bill authorizing a five-year building program for the Army and Navy Air Services; increased appropriations for the Veterans Bureau and farm relief legislation. The last proposed is of great importance to members of the House coming from agricultural districts. Hearings are now under way in the House dealing with agricultural subjects but it is doubtful if anything of great value will come from these inquiries.

The public buildings bill has already passed the House. It provides for an expenditure of \$105,000,000 over a period of five years. Of this amount some \$50,000,000 will be expended in the District of Columbia for Government buildings. The balance is confined to practically six States for post office buildings. Those opposed to this measure have classified it as a "pork barrel" bill which would give the Postmaster General the whip hand over certain congressional groups. The theory is that in exchange for approving the erection of certain buildings the Postmaster General could request the support of the senators and congressmen from that locality in promoting legislation in which his department is interested.

As several states will hold their primaries before the Congress declares a recess, leaders of all parties are watching developments in these particular districts. The first test on the World Court issue will come in Illinois and administration leaders are banking heavily upon the outcome so that the matter may be sidetracked in the majority of primaries.

The Democrats feel that their chance of controlling the Senate has been increased by recent developments but of course Republican leaders challenge this opinion. It is obvious that the Democrats are going to concentrate their fire on the senatorial battles although they will make a strong fight for increases in membership in the House.

NEW LANDS OPENED

The United State Land Office at Las Cruces announces that the township plats of Survey for Twps. 2 and 3 South, Range 9 East, and Twp. 2 South, Range 10 East will be filed in that office on May 6, 1926.

Ex-service men of the World War have a preference right to entry for a period of 91 days beginning May 6, to August 4, subject to valid existing rights.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Under this heading announcements will be charged for at the following rates, in advance.

County \$12.50
Precinct \$10.00
Legislative \$10.00

These names will be carried until the primaries, and the names of the nominees until the general election.

A statement from each candidate not to exceed a half column, will be run free with the announcement.

The following announcements are subject to the action of the Democratic primary of Roosevelt county, N. M. to be held Thursday, April 8th, 1926:

For Representative 20th District:

T. M. NOBLE

(for re-election)

A. E. LANG

For Sheriff:

J. R. POINDEXTER

(for re-election)

For County Clerk:

PAUL E. MORRISON

(for re-election)

For County Treasurer:

PAUL M. JONES

(for re-election)

For Tax Assessor:

SAM J. STINNETT

C. H. ROWLAND

THEO. SUMMERS

JOE FOSTER

For County School Superintendent:

JAMES R. SHOCK

W. F. IRVIN

ARGIE JONES

For Probate Judge:

F. T. McDONALD

(for re-election)

For Commissioner, Dist. No. 1:

W. O. McCORMACK

H. W. DAVIDSON

ALONZO W. BAKER

SAM B. FLETCHER

For Commissioner, Dist. No. 2:

GEO. T. LITTLEFIELD

ED WALL

(for re-election)

A. R. SELF

For Commissioner, Dist. No. 3:

EDGAR G. SPARKS

A. G. WILSON

JARDINE TO BE CONSULTED ON FARM RELIEF

Washington, April 2.—Hearings on farm relief before the House agriculture committee are to go on indefinitely and before action is taken on the proposals Secretary Jardine will be consulted.

This program was agreed to by the committee today after a discussion as to whether the hearings which have been in progress for some time, should be brought to a close at the end of next week.

Termination of the hearings has been urged by members of Congress who fear that unless a bill is reported shortly legislative relief, requested by representatives of corn belt farmers, will not be afforded at this session. Representative Hall, Republican, of North Dakota, who said his constituents were getting impatient, took the lead today in urging the committee, of which he is a member, to speed up action.

Determined to proceed with the examination of witnesses, the committee again heard Representative Little, Democrat of Kansas, in support of his bills to fix prices, provide for storage of surplus crops and prohibit speculation. He was followed by Representative Dickinson, Republican, of Iowa, who explained provisions of his bill, which is similar to the corn belt measure, but provides for the collection of an equalization fee on more commodities.

Neither his proposal nor the corn belt bill, in Mr. Dickinson's opinion, would result in governmental price fixing.

Appearing before the Senate agriculture committee, William Hirth, chairman of the corn belt committee, said that unless farmers are afforded relief many would migrate to cities and break the wage scale, with suffering and misery resulting.

The patience of farmers is about threadbare, and something must be done, he told the committee, adding that there is still a wholesome spirit among them and that radicalism has made little inroad in the rural sections.

The Portales Valley News has been requested to make next week issue of this paper a cotton edition. That is for it to cooperate with the business men in putting cotton farming in Roosevelt county over, and encouraging the planting of a good acreage. The News is glad to co-operate.

Cotton planting time is here. Cotton planted between the fifteenth of April and the first of May will have plenty of time to mature for picking. There should be at least 50,000 acres planted in Roosevelt county.

Word from the Elida country is that a good acreage of cotton will be planted in that section. There is a splendid farming section in the Elida territory, which will produce record crops. More of it should be put into cultivation.

PORTALES NEEDS AN UP-TOWN EXPRESS OFFICE

As the produce and cream business increases in Portales the need of an up-town express office grows. Those who claim to know say that this would add greatly to the efficiency of handling this business.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Burleson were called to the bedside of their son, Edward in Fort Worth, Texas on March 19th, who was very ill with acute tonsillitis. Mrs. Burleson returned March 25th. Mrs. Burleson and Edward returned last Sunday night. Edward will return to Fort Worth about May 1st to finish his course with the Burton Barber College at that place. Mrs. Burleson says it rains too much in Fort Worth for her.

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For the benefit of foot sufferers, this store will conduct a Special Foot Comfort Demonstration. In charge of this important work is a foot comfort expert from the personal staff of Dr. Wm. M. Scholl, the recognized foot authority. As he has been specially trained in the Dr. Scholl Method of Foot Correction, this offers an exceptional opportunity for you to secure a full measure of real, genuine foot comfort.

What is your foot trouble?

Your trouble may be simply a corn, a callous or a bunion, or it may be the result of weak and broken-down arches, or some other form of foot trouble. It costs you nothing to learn the true condition of your feet and why they ache, pain and cause so much suffering.

Free Podo-graph prints
made of your feet

In a few seconds' time, without removing the shoe, he can make a perfect print of your foot that positively shows if you do have foot troubles and to what stage the trouble has progressed. This service is absolutely free and places you under no obligation whatever.

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If you have a sore, painful corn come in and get a Free Sample of Dr. Scholl's Zinco-pads. You will get instant, safe, sure relief.

JOYCE-PRUIT CO.

PORTALES,

NEW MEXICO

REMODEL YOUR SIZE NOT YOUR GARMENTS

With the coming of spring every woman takes an inventory of the clothes she has on hand, and if the "left overs" are not stylish for the incoming season she either remodels them or casts them aside; however, it is often the figure that needs remodeling instead of the gown. Mrs. Edith Whitehurst Hauser of the New Mexico A. & M. College declares that the most beautiful gown may lose its loveliness when it does not fit the wearer; likewise, the plainest of dresses may appear to advantage on the woman with a graceful figure.

Since this is true, it seems the logical thing that we have a spring inventory of our physical bodies as well as our clothes. Oh, I should like to look like Mrs. Jones, is a common expression among women. Mrs. Jones is neither over nor under weight. She is always plainly dressed, but looks stunning in her clothes. The women who long to look like Mrs. Jones is usually a woman who lacks self-determination and self-discipline. She may be the woman who prefers to be stout rather than give up her candy. She may eat between meals, or she may not eat certain things which are good for her because she does not like them.

Underweights who do not eat enough should try to find the phys-

ical cause. They should consult a doctor to find out the trouble; then increase their food and try to develop an appetite. They should drink more milk, sleep more, eat more of what they are eating, and include in the diet cream, butter and salad dressings. They should take more outdoor exercise if it is not too strenuous.

The overweight woman should eliminate as much fat as is possible from her diet, which should contain a limited amount of sugar and starches. The best way to reduce is to watch the diet. Avoid eating too much fat. Take plenty of exercise. Walk. It is better to start walking a short distance and increase the walk to five miles. Continue eating most of the foods which have already been eaten, with the exception of fat, and in smaller portions.

Gaining and reducing are matters of self-will. Most of us can find the remedy, but we often refuse treatment.

PROSPECTORS KEEP COMING

Last week Portales was crowded with prospectors from Slaton and neighboring sections of the plains of Texas. The plains farmers have about decided that Roosevelt county lands are a good buy—dry or irrigated. There is still plenty of room for red blooded farmers.

PORTALES 23 YEARS AGO

(from Times of that date)

Railroad Track laying commenced this week on the Santa Fe Central at Torrance. Two hundred and thirty cars of rails are on the ground and on the way. It will run to Roswell.

The Texas Legislature in extra session will provide for the resurvey of the boundaries between that state and New Mexico.

Some people wonder why we publish so much Texas and Oklahoma. It is because our population is made up of people mostly from those sections.

Roosevelt County Officers Appointed by Governor Otero on the 23 of March 1903.

Sheriff—William W. Odum.
Treasurer and Collector—C. O. Leach.

Probate Judge—Chas. L. Carter.
Clerk Probate Court—W. E. Lindsey.

School Superintendent—Cecl McAdie.

Assessor—W. K. Breeding.
Surveyor—Jno. A. Fairly.
Commissioners—W. O. Oldham, Robert Hicks, B. Blankenship.

A receipt is wanted in Elida for the extermination of old bachelors. Elida is infested with an enormous lot of old bachelors and they are too thick to do well. Why! There are as many as half a dozen in a hill in some places.

Llewellyn was in Elida Thursday and Friday looking after his interests.

Worshan of Portales was an Elida visitor Friday, the guest of Mr. English.

W. O. King left Friday for points in Texas.

GRADE TRACT MEET

The Roosevelt County Grade Tract Meet will be held in Portales, April 24, 1926. Meet will begin at 10:00. Contestants must register before 10:00 o'clock.

All pupils in the schools of the County below the ninth grade (except Portales) passing in three-fourths of their work are eligible to enter in the following events:

Boys Events—
Half Mile Relay
Shot-put.
100 yard Dash.
150 yard Dash.
Pole Vault.
Running Broad Jump.
Running High Jump.
Quarter Race.
Tug of War, weight limit, 125 pounds. Six Contestants.
Base Ball Throw, one for accuracy and one for distance.
Basket Ball Throw, one for ac-

curacy and one for distance.

Girls Events—
60 Yard Dash.
110 Yard Dash.
220 Relay.
Running Broad Jump.
Running High Jump.
Base Ball Throw, one for accuracy and one for distance.
Basket Ball Throw, one for accuracy and one for distance.

Expense of the meet will be met by assessing each school with four teachers or less, \$1.00 to enter. With more than four teachers \$2 to enter.

FOUR ROOM HIGH SCHOOL TRACK MEET

The Roosevelt County Four Room High School Track Meet will be held in Portales, April 24, 1926. Meet will begin at 10:00 o'clock. Contestants must register before 10:00 o'clock.

All High School pupils in the county attending schools employing less than five teachers, passing in three-fourths of their work are eligible to enter in the following events:

Boys Events—
One-half Mile Relay.
Shot Put.
Pole Vault.
120 Yard Dash.
80 Yard Dash.
Running High Jump.
Running Broad Jump.
440 Run.
Tug of War, average 140 lbs. Six on team.

220 Hurdle, 2 1/2 feet.
Girls Events—
220 Relay.
70 Yard Dash.
Running High Jump.
Running Broad Jump.
Basket Ball Throw for distance.
Base Ball Throw for distance.
Base Ball Throw for accuracy.

Expense of the Meet will be met by assessing each school entering \$1.00.

CATTLEMEN BELIEVE FAT YEARS COMING

The Bible tells us that after seven lean years, seven fat years shall follow. Many New Mexico cattlemen who have been thru the drought for the past seven years, feel that now the fat years are coming. W. F. Dickson, of the animal husbandry department of the New Mexico A. & M. College, reports that ranchmen who he has interviewed over the state during the past two months are very optimistic over the future. Range conditions are looking better, due to general rain that has fallen over the state, and grass will probably

start early this year. Cattle prices are on the upgrade. Many ranchers feel that their cows have increased fifty percent in value during the year.

Grass is one of New Mexico's most valuable crops. Much of the best grass land in New Mexico has been seriously damaged due to the drought and overstocking of the range, and it may take years of careful management to get the range back to good condition. Give the grass a chance this year by protecting a part of the range during the growing season, so that it

can reseed itself. If possible, save the protected grass for next winter. It is like having money in the bank to have a reserve range well grassed.

Hand picked seed Peanuts, Tennessee Reds, Acacia cotton seed, acimated and grown here four years. Seed corn, higaria seed at my farm. W. M. Drinkard, Portales, N. M. 23-4tp.

Did you know that cowboys existed in Egypt 5,000 years ago, and cattle were branded.

KIDDIES' COLDS

Children have very delicate digestions, easily disturbed by too much "dosing." Treat croup and all colds "externally" by applying—

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Whether your specifications call for waterproof shingles or four-by-four joist—we can save you money on your complete requirements. Carefully inspected, select products only. Prompt delivery.!

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GOODYEAR'S

One Week Only
Starting April 9th
Ending April 15th

After Easter Sale!

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Starting April 9th
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The Snowy Weather is responsible for these great reductions on the newest Spring Merchandise. Entire Stock Included!

LADIES DRESSES

Flat Crepes, Crepes, Satins and Rayon Crepes. Every new style and color.

\$5.95 \$8.75 \$13.75
Values to \$11.75 Values to \$16.75 Values to \$22.50

MEN'S SUITS

All new spring patterns, light and dark colors. Every suit guaranteed all wool and well made.

\$14.95 \$22.75
Values to \$25.00 Values to \$35.00

BOYS SUITS

2 pair pants and vest, all wool and well tailored.

\$10.75
Values to \$16.50. Sizes 9 to 17

UNION SUITS

Men's or Boys Union Suits, Athletic style, good quality.

49c
75c Values All Sizes

HOSE

Childrens Hose, Black or Brown Sizes 5 to 10, per pair **15c**
Childrens Silk Hose, all colors Sizes 3 to 6 1/2, per pair **39c**
Men's Silk Hose, fancy stripes or solid colors. Values to 75c, per pair. **45c**
Ladies Rayon Silk Hose. 75c value, all colors. **45c**
Ladies pure Silk Thread Chiffon Hose. All the newest shades. **\$1.00**

LADIES SHOES

These prices include Shoes received this week.

Blond Kid, low or high heel, \$7.50 Value **\$4.95**
Black Satin, Kid trim medium heel \$6.50 value **4.39**
Womens Black Kid, one strap, medium heel, \$5.50 value **3.39**
Patent one strap, Champagne under lay, medium heel, \$5 value **2.95**

CHILDRENS SHOES

Childs Patent One buckle strap. \$2.25 value, sizes 5 1/4 to 8 **\$1.95**
Childs Patent one strap \$2.00 Value, sizes 5 1/4 to 8 **\$1.49**
Childs Patent one strap, \$3.00 Value, sizes 8 1/4 to 2 **\$2.39**

MEN'S SHOES

Men's light tan Oxfords **\$3.95**
\$5.50 Value
Men's Black Oxfords, **\$3.95**
\$5.50 value
Men's light Tan Balloon Toe Oxfords \$6.50 value **\$4.85**
Men's light Tan Soft Toe Oxfords, \$6.00 value **\$4.45**

PIECE GOODS

32-in. Amoskeg Gingham, 30c value New patterns, per yard **21c**
36-in. Bleached Domestic, good quality, 20c value, per yard **13c**
36-in. Fancy Strip Broadcloth 40c value, per yard **29c**

MEN'S DRESS SHIRTS

Men's Fancy Checks and Stripes \$1.50 value **98c**
Men's Broadcloth White or Blue \$2.25 value **\$1.49**
Men's Broadcloth and Madras fancy Checks, Stripes and solid colors \$3.00 values **\$1.95**

MEN'S AND BOYS PANTS

\$3.50 Values **\$2.69**
\$4.00 Values **\$2.95**
\$4.50 Values **\$3.45**
\$5.50 Values **\$3.95**
\$6.50 Values **\$4.95**
\$7.50 Values **\$5.95**
\$10.00 Values **\$7.50**

MEN'S O'ALLS

220 weight, well made, a new pair if they rip. \$2.00 quality

\$1.49
BOYS O'ALLS **98c**
All Sizes

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THE BARGAIN SPOT
IN PORTALES

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to the Defendants, Nannie Uzee Roberts, and all unknown claimants of interest in the premises adverse to the

Plaintiffs, Greeting.

You, said Defendants are notified that an action has been commenced against you in the District Court of Roosevelt County, New Mexico, No. 2180 on the Civil Docket of said

Court by Tillman M. Trammell and Glenn Trammell, his wife, Plaintiffs against you, said Defendants, the objects of which suit are to obtain a Decree of said Court, quieting the title of Plaintiff in and to all of Section 33, in Township 5 South of Range 37 East of the New Mexico Meridian, in Roosevelt County, New Mexico, against said Defendants and all unknown claimants in the said premises and to forever bar and estop Defendants and any one claiming by or under them, from having or claiming any right, title, interest or lien in or to said lands adverse to the estate of the Plaintiffs therein and to forever quiet and set at rest Plaintiffs' title thereto. Defendants are further notified that unless they enter their appearance in said cause on or before May 27, 1926, judgment will be rendered against them by default and Plaintiffs will be given the relief demanded in their complaint. T. E. Mears whose business and Post Office address is Portales, New Mexico, is the attorney for the Plaintiffs.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court this 8th day of April, 1926.
(SEAL) PAUL E. MORRISON, County Clerk.
By Norene Jones, Deputy.
A-8-29-M.

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to the Defendants, Howell C. Wills, all the unknown heirs of Howell C. Wills, Joe Howard all the unknown heirs of Joe Howard, Alice Howard, all the unknown heirs of Alice Howard, Mr. and Mrs. Coe Howard, all the unknown heirs of Mr. and Mrs. Coe Howard, Bascom Howard, all the unknown heirs of Bascom Howard, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McDonald, all the unknown heirs of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McDonald, Henry C. Maxwell, all the unknown heirs of Henry C. Maxwell, Mrs. Elizabeth Maxwell, all the unknown heirs of Mrs. Elizabeth Maxwell, Mrs. Ethel M. Johnson, all the unknown heirs of Mrs. Ethel M. Johnson, R. H. Maxwell, all the unknown heirs of R. H. Maxwell, W. W. Woodward, all the unknown heirs of W. W. Woodward, Lillian Huffman, all the unknown heirs of Lillian Huffman, Mae Huffman, all the unknown heirs of Mae Huffman, Ethel Johnson, all the unknown heirs of Ethel Johnson, F. M. Johnson, all the unknown heirs of F. M. Johnson, R. E. Bostick, unknown heirs of R. E. Bostick, and all unknown claimants of any nature or interest whatsoever adverse to Plaintiffs, Defendants.

GREETING: You the said defendants are hereby notified that a suit has been filed and commenced against you in the District Court of Roosevelt County, State of New Mexico, said suit being numbered 2179 on the civil docket of said Court by O. B. Bostick and Lizzie Bostick, Plaintiffs, against you the said defendants, the nature and object of which are to obtain a decree of said Court quieting plaintiffs title to said premises against you defendants and cancelling any claims of record of you said defendants or any of you in and to the following described lands, lying and being in Roosevelt County, New Mexico, to-wit:

The E 1/4 SW 1/4 NW 1/4 NW 1/4, and N 1/4 SE 1/4 NW 1/4 NW 1/4 Sec. 26, in Twp. 1 South, Range 34 East, N. M. M. in N. M. and to forever bar and estop you and your heirs and assigns forever.

The fourth group of the Woman's Club will serve a luncheon to the members at one o'clock at the home of Judge and Mrs. C. M. Compton on Wednesday, April 14. This is the last of a series of luncheons for the Club year.

E. D. Brown of Garrison was in Monday and renewed his subscription for another year. Mr. Brown says that there is considerable cotton being planted in that section and that there will be enough to give their gin a full run. The Garrison gin was put in by Mr. Green an experienced gin man, and the News trusts that the farmers in that part of the county grow cotton enough to keep it busy 24 hours a day through the entire ginning season.

A. J. Thomas of Red Lake came in Saturday and had his name added to our list of subscribers. Mr. Thomas has been here eighteen years and says that in his notion this will be a good year for farmers. He thinks there will be a great deal of new ground put in.

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defendants and each of you or any one claiming by or under or through you said defendants or any of you from having or claiming or asserting any right, title, interest or lien in and to the said lands adverse to the plaintiffs herein and to forever quiet and set at rest plaintiffs title in and to said land and premises.

You defendants are further notified that unless you enter your appearance on or before the 31st day of May, 1926 in said cause, judgment by default will be rendered against you and the Plaintiffs herein will apply to and be given by the Court the relief demanded in their complaint. The name and P. O. address of plaintiffs Attorney is D. Jackson Melton, Portales, New Mexico.

Witness my hand and seal as clerk of said court this April 7, 1926.
(SEAL) PAUL E. MORRISON, County Clerk.
By Norene Jones, Deputy.
A-8-29-MELTON

GOOD FARMER

L. H. Cooper, lives 10 miles west of town, and came in Monday and subscribed for the News. This is Mr. Cooper's third year. He has 300 acres in crop, 60 in broom corn, 20 in cotton, 15 in potatoes and peanuts, one acre in tomatoes, the rest in kafir, maize and sudan. Mr. Cooper says he surely wants plenty of feed. The cotton, tomatoes and peanuts will be irrigated.

Mrs. Ed Adams from Bethel came into the News office Monday and said "I want to subscribe for this paper." She had a good many nice things to say about the paper. Mr. and Mrs. Adams have been here two years and are very optimistic about the future of the country.

WORTH WHILE

C. S. Turner informs the News he will install a large electric incubator this fall and will run same for the general public! This is a step in the right direction and should be encouraged by the public.

By the time the News goes to press the primary election of Roosevelt county will be well under way. This paper offers no prediction as to who will be elected, but there are a splendid bunch of candidates out, all honorable men, well qualified for the offices which they seek. This campaign has been free from mud slinging, and whoever is nominated, the News does not hesitate to state at this time that it can and will support the nominee in the general election. It cannot conceive of a democrat or any other man who will go into a primary election and then refuse to abide by the choice of the majority.

The Cash Bargain Store, Elida, has recently received shipment of John B. Stetson hats for men, hats for boys, a nice line of spring and summer Dress Caps, Work Gloves, Work Clothes, Dress Pants, Long Pants for Boys, Shoes, Oxford and Slippers, and all cotton Mattresses. From \$7.50 to \$18.00. 24-2tc.

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CLASSIFIED ADS



Where All Eyes Reach Your Message!

Got a car, house, lot or furniture to sell? Looking around with hopes of buying a radio set, a washing machine, a rug, or anything else for the home? Maybe you're searching for a job? Or trying to hire help? Then—why keep it quiet? Merely telling your friends, won't help. Tacking up a sign won't do it. You've got to get your problem before the thousands of eyes that weekly closely scrutinize the

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ONCE THERE—WATCH THE QUICK RESULTS!

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Used furniture. See J. B. Sledge. 14-1tc.

FOR SALE—Brunswick Phonograph. J. B. Sledge. 14-1tc.

FOR SALE—Good hand picked peanuts, 10c per pound. See V. F. Newman, Old Orphans' Home Place. 15-1tc.

FOR SALE WOOD—We have about 50 cords of Apple and Cherry stove wood to sell cheap. See M. B. Jones or R. R. Strong. 11-1tc.

FOR SALE—Some choice Jersey Cows, some fresh. Half cash, terms. See Henry George. 18-1tc.

FOR SALE—Seed Sweet Potatoes. Absolutely free from Black Rot or other diseases. At Carl Mueller's potato house. 19-1tc-B

FOR SALE—Bundle feed, good grain, Higar 7c, Maize 6c, Cane 5c delivered in town. 1c less at farm, 2 1/2 miles Southeast of town. W. E. Reynolds. 18-8tp.

FOR SALE—Two young registered Jersey Milk Cows. Just freshened, each has a heifer calf. They are good ones. Jno. V. Miller, Portales, New Mexico. 22-1tc.

BLOCK 12—Bogard Addition for sale worth the money. See J. W. Sexton. 22-1tc.

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FOR SALE—Acain Cotton Seed, home grown, graded through Roswell cotton association, strict middling, 1 1/8 inch staple. A. G. Kenyon, phone 118. 24-6tp.

FOR SALE—1926 model Ford Touring car. Been out about 6 weeks. Price \$400. See Vane Victor, or inquire at Dora Store. 22-4tp.

FOR SALE—Hand threshed Acme Broom Corn Seed at my farm 12 miles South of Portales also at my residence, 1 block South and 1 block West of Lilac Park. Test 98 per cent germination, 94 per cent vigor. Arthur Littlejohn. 22-4tp.

FOR SALE—2,000 pounds of Black Spanish Broom-corn seed at 6 cents per pound. See J. M. Bradley. 24-4tc.

FOR RENT—80 acres of land, 20 acres in irrigation, good pumping plant. Rest dry farm. Good house, wind-mill and barns. 2 miles East of Town. See L. E. Hatley. 23-1tc.

FOR RENT—160 acres, 3 room house, wind mill and well, 80 acres in cultivation. See Bascom Howard, Portales, N. M. 15-1tc.

FOR RENT—Good house, well located. J. E. H. Young. 22-3tp.

FOR RENT—Four unfurnished rooms in modern home of T. L. English. See Mrs. Will Greenhouse for particulars. 24-1tp.

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POULTRY AND EGGS

EGGS FOR HATCHING—Barred and White Plymouth Rocks Eggs \$1.50 and \$3.00 per setting. Eggs for incubator at \$6.00 per 100. Exhibition and laying strains. Mrs. J. A. Fairly. 19-1tc.

EGGS—for setting from my pure-bred Ringlet Rocks, bred for beauty and egg production. I have got on an average of 11 dozen per week from 65 hens and pullets during this winter. \$1.50 per setting, \$6.00 per 100. 2 1/2 miles southeast from Portales. Mrs. W. E. Reynolds. 18-8tp.

FOR SALE—Baby Chix. White Leghorn, Rhode Island Reds, 12 1/2 and 15 cents each. Barred Rocks, and Black Minorcas, 15 cents each, one third cash with order balance when chicks are hatched. At Bedinger Farm, 1 mile Southwest from Baptist Orphans' Home. 23-2tp.

MISCELLANEOUS

FOR TRADE—A beautiful new modern six room Stucco house well located in Slaton, Texas for improved land in Roosevelt Co. Address R. H. Todd, Slaton, Texas. Box 54. 24-4tc.

FOR SALE or TRADE—Ford Runabout and good R. T. Frazier saddle. Aubrey Fleming. 24-1tp.

You need a lighting arrester for that radio. Get it at the Radio Service Station. 24-1tc.

Don't make a mistake by overlooking C. W. Ison for Dry Goods and Shoes. 16-1tc.

FORD TRUCK—We have a bargain in a re-conditioned 1 Ton Ford Truck. Flat farm body, steel cab, Jumbo Transmissions, Universal Motor Co. 23-1tc.

USED FORDS—Any model, any price, Cash or terms. Let's Swap. Universal Motor Co. 24-1tc.

For planting seed, such as Melane cotton seed, Pinto Beans, Blackeye Peas, Bulk Water Melon, or Turnip seed, as well as packages Garden seeds go to The Cash Bargain Store, Elida. 24-1tc.

Bed Room Suites, Henry George. 51-1tc.

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EMZY NEWS

The big day Monday at Midway was well attended with all the patrons and neighbors. The boys played two games of base ball and a game of basket ball. The girls played a game of basket ball. Mr. Jackson from Rogers made a talk that was enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Horner gave a party Saturday night, that was well attended.

Mrs. Payne and her son, Ira went to Portales Saturday to visit her daughter that is sick.

The Matthew boys spent Sunday in the home of Fred Henry.

Miss Louise Cole spent Saturday night with Miss Estell Smith.

The school is progressing nicely with all the pupils present.

Pay Last Half of 1925 Taxes Now!

The Last Half of 1925 tax will become delinquent after April 30th, 1926, and will carry interest and penalty thereafter. All unpaid taxes on June 1st of each year will be advertised and sold according to 1925 tax law.

PLEASE PAY TAXES PROMPTLY!

PAUL M. JONES

COUNTY TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR

SOCIETY

The H. M. C. Met Wednesday March 31st.

The H. M. C. met in regular session Wednesday March 31st at the Court House. The subject was 'Peanut' and two very interesting and instructive talks were enjoyed. The first by Miss Kerr on the Food Value of the Peanut as compared with other articles of diet, which she very cleverly demonstrated by use of the actual food, her computation showing that 20 peanuts kernels are equal in caloric value

to 2 thin slices of bread or 1 medium sized potato or, 2 tablespoons of beans, or 4 cups of cabbage, or 1 table spoon of butter, or 2 1-2 teaspoons peanut butter. That 25 peanut kernels are equal in body building value to 3-4 cup milk, or 3 slices dried beef, or 2 tablespoons beans, or 1 egg. That 24 peanut kernels are equal in fat content to 4 slices of bacon, or 2 teaspoons of butter, or 1 1-8 inch cube of cheese, or 3 1-2 tablespoons 40 per cent cream, or 1 tablespoon peanut butter. Following this was Mr. Will's

talk on Peanut Culture. First he heartily indorsed all Miss Kerr had said of the peanut as food for the human family and added that peanut hay ranks next to alfalfa as a livestock food. Mr. Will said that a loose sandy soil containing a goodly amount of lime was best for the production of the peanut, and that the Portales Valley was peculiarly adapted to the needs of this plant, but while the peanut belongs to the legume family it is not a soil builder as are other members of the family for in harvesting all roots are removed from the soil, therefore it is better to use crop rotation alternating peas, beans, etc with the peanut and if fertilizer must be used it is better to use it a year ahead. Peanuts should be planted in clean soil, the hills 6 to 8 inches apart and 4 rows about 3 1-2 feet apart ground should be listed, the ridges leveled somewhat by use of a sweep then nuts planted on ridge, making a nearly level planting, should have a good bottom moisture, either by rain or irrigation and not too much irrigation after plants are up. Young plants should receive frequent and shallow cultivation. Best way to select seed is to pick best individual plants at harvesting time and from them the best filled pods. Mr. Will's talk was followed by a demonstration by the ladies showing how palatable, the humble 'Gubber' may be made. Receipts will appear in this paper.

Kingsbury forty-three years a Missionary in India, who recently passed to her reward. Messages from Miss Kingsbury's co-workers were read.

Mrs. Stokes gave a survey of the foreign field and prayers were offered for the work.

Mrs. Luper gave a survey of the homeland and Mrs. Means closed the program with a reading.

The hostess served delicious refreshments, consisting of cheese sandwiches, pickles, pineapple salad and cocoa.

Next meeting Thursday April 15, at the parsonage. Bring thimble, needles and scissors.

SCOUTS GO TO ROSWELL APRIL 23.

Eyes in the Eastern New Mexico Area, Boy Scouts of America are now turned to the Boy Scouts Jamboree to be held in Roswell April 23rd. In the evening. Two hundred Scouts will take part in this big event and it will be very much worth while for the Scouts and the grown-ups too. There will be demonstrations, stunts and a lot of other things, that will entertain. Every town in the area is expected to have representatives to see this affair. It will be an education on what Scouting is doing for the boys of Eastern New Mexico and at the same time it will furnish a most delightful evening for the spectators.

The area council meeting will be held in Roswell that evening preceding the Jamboree. It is hoped that this will be one of the best attended Council meetings yet held. There are many important matters to come up. It will be worth while for the Council members to make an extra effort to come on this particular evening for it will give them an opportunity to enjoy the Jamboree following the Council meeting.

A large number of Portales Scouts and officials plan on attending this Jamboree.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Bible school 9:45 a. m. Jno. V. Miller, Supt.

Strong or Weak. A weak man may make his boy go to Sunday school, but a strong man will take his boy to Bible school and keep him there for morning worship by staying for same.

What will it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his son?

11 a. m. Morning Worship. Sermon subject, "The Bread of Life."

Take yourself to dinner, one goes to church regularly and punctually because one has a soul-rather is a soul that needs nourishment. Church attendance is the real person dining.

Statistics kept by pastors show that more people are ill on Sunday than the total for the other six days.

Arousing Enthusiasm. When you hear the sermon it may bore you, but when you apply it to your life it will arouse the enthusiasm of your friends.

A Nut Sunday. To lie in bed until 10, read the Sunday paper till 11, overeat till 3, lop around till night and keep one's soul "effortless" throughout the one day of the week especially designed for its enjoyment, is what I call a Nut Sunday.

God calls for volunteers but does not conscript. Show your courage and faith in God by enlisting now.

7:00 p. m. Christian Endeavor. Election of Officers.

7:45 p. m. Evangelistic Service. Live congregation singing, special music. Sermon, "Whose Brand is upon You?"

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L. FARRIS POWELL, Pastor Evangelist.

FLOYD SCHOOL REVIEWS

Snow bound—perhaps we can best appreciate, to a very small degree, the poem "Snow Bound" or "A Winters Idyl" by the greatest of American poets, John Greenleaf Whittier.

Never before in the history of pioneer memory has there been such a season. Snow and rain. The harvest will be great when the day of harvest comes.

Among the young poultry men there is great gladness for modern poultry houses have proved their worth. Milton Key reports that his young chicks are doing well, due to the protection of a modern coal brooder. This is a general report of all.

The pie supper was a great success it appears although there was a medium crowd. The proceeds were \$100.40. All pies sold well and great was the enjoyment of all.

Monday and Tuesday was a sort of vacation as the roads were impassable for all the trucks to run.

Miss Priddy while coming from Portales to Floyd school Monday morning was lost for a while in the fury of the snow storm.

We hope for happy news next week but for the present—adieu. The Senior class, the Junior class, the Sophomore and the Freshmen wishes to broadcast the news. We are to have a movie, at home, school in a few more happy days.

R. A. Tusha of Elida was in Portales Tuesday.

LOCALS AND PERSONALS

E. T. Burleson was in Lamesa Sunday.

Mrs. Stalker was down from Clovis Monday.

The H. T. Ward family are riding in a new Ford.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. P. Baxter of Melrose were Portales visitors Monday.

Mrs. J. P. Smith is visiting her son, Fred Smith and family at Rockwell.

Editor and Mrs. McKown of Elida with baby, Mary were in Portales Monday.

W. E. Davis, who is with the Kemp Lumber Company had his name added to our list of new subscribers Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Hill and D. G. Hill left for a visit to Mrs. H. F. Bartlett at Lamesa, Texas for a few days.

Ed Simmons and wife of Albuquerque arrived last week for an extended visit with his people the H. W. Simmons family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Compton and children, Miss Helen and James and Benny Lee were in Clovis Saturday.

H. C. Scruggs, County Commissioner, left for his home at Tolar after several days spent in Portales.

The Portales Woman's Club are working out a plan by which flowers may be planted in the curb around the court house.

Lee English attended the Biological Survey Conference at Albuquerque last week, returning Monday.

Give us a man that a child will like or whose hand a dog will lick and we have a man who has a heart.

M. M. Cox of Carona, N. M. is visiting his sister, Mrs. Jim Burleson.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Young of Roswell were visiting in the home of their son, Robt. Young this weekend.

Mrs. J. E. Henderson and Mrs. J. L. May were visiting in Clovis Wednesday. They were at the bedside of Mrs. Mays mother who is seriously ill.

Mrs. Katherine Snell and little daughter, Jean Ann returned to their home at Plainview, Texas after a visit to her mother in Portales.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Evans and Mr. Mrs. Justin Click were in Portales Sunday afternoon attending the Masonic Services at the Baptist Church.

Judge T. M. Noble and Judge McGill were over from Ft. Sumner Monday of this week in the interest of Judge Noble's campaign for re-election.

Leroy Cranford who has been in the employ of Yonchum Grocery, has resigned his position and has accepted one at the depot for the Santa Fe. John Fairly has taken Leroy's place at Yonchums.

Mack Heddlston and family of Dallas are visiting Mrs. Heddlston's mother, Mrs. McDowell in South Portales. Mr. Heddlston plans to make a crop here this year.

Mrs. W. B. Oldham, Portales Woman's Club President will be in attendance at the 3rd District meeting of N. Mexico Women's Club at Clovis, Thursday and Friday.

Mrs. Chas. Ranson who lives at the Country Club came in Tuesday and had her name added to our list. She said they couldn't do without the News and had been just buying a copy each week.

Mrs. Joe Howard is improving her place by having the yard leveled and planted in a lawn. She is also adding a concrete sidewalk along the side and across the W. H. McDonald home.

R. H. Grissom and family arrived Friday night from Santa Fe. Mrs. Grissom and the children will remain with her people, the J. K. Robertson family while Mr. Grissom makes his trip as Educational Auditor.

W. Krattil returned Sunday night from Kansas City where he was called on account of the death of his mother. Mr. and Mrs. Krattil went in the car, but the storm of last week caused Mr. Krattil to come home on the train. There was about thirteen inches of snow in Kansas.

Did you know that meat was the chief diet of ancient athletes?

Mr. and Mrs. Robt Young are certainly energetic young people. Mrs. Young teaches at East Valley View and Mr. Young at Elida, and during their spare time they attend to their chicken ranch. They have recently bought a thousand young chicks and indications are that they will raise the most of them. The news predicts success for them.

Oscar Thurston came in Tuesday night from Southwestern University at Georgetown, Texas. Oscar graduates from this school this spring. He has already finished his years work. He is the son of Rev. and Mrs. L. L. Thurston of Portales. Rev. Thurston is the pastor of the Methodist church at this place and his son Oscar expects to follow his fathers calling.

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PORTO BELLO GOLD

by ARTHUR D. HOWDEN SMITH

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A new costume novel by Howden Smith is an event of no mean importance. But a pirate story which includes many of the famous Robert Louis Stevenson characters from "Treasure Island"—Long John Silver, Pew, Billy Bones and the rest—is in the nature of a literary banquet.

"Porto Bello Gold" is a swash-buckling, blood-curdling tale of piracy on the Spanish Main. It is a combination of brave deeds and shameful friendship, love, hate and high adventure. In point of time, the action takes place a few years previous to that of Stevenson's masterpiece and tells, in fact, of how Captain Flint and "Rip-Rap" Murray raided the Spanish gold galleon and buried their ill-gotten treasure on the lonely island known as the Dead Man's Chest—the inspiration for the well-known pirate song, "Fifteen Men on the Dead Man's Chest, Yo-ho-ho and a Bottle of Rum."

Sir Harry Johnston, a few years ago, started the literary world with "The Gay Donkeys," a continuation of Dickens' "Donkey and Son." Howden Smith, however, is even more intrepid in attempting to preface a great masterpiece with a story of his own. He has succeeded to an extraordinary degree, the consensus of critical opinion being that "Porto Bello Gold" is a worthy companion to "Treasure Island."

The story is not and does not pretend to be Stevenson's in any particular. Howden Smith has simply availed himself of a number of characters in the earlier tale and of several situations which Stevenson referred to as episodes of the past and with which he and his characters had no immediate concern. For example, there is the character and part in the plot of the boy, McGraw. Stevenson merely makes passing mention of him, but in "Porto Bello Gold" Howden Smith takes the juvenile adventure element and the reactions of a boy to the glamour and realities of pirate life.

CHAPTER I

My Father's Secret.

I WAS in the counting room, talking with Peter Corlier, the chief of our fur traders—he was that very day come down river from the Iroquois country—when the boy, Darby, ran in from the street.

"The Bristol packet is in, Master Robert," he cried. "And, oh, sir, the watermen do say there be a pirate ship off the Hook!"

I remember I laughed at the combination of awe and delight in his face. He was a raw, hog-trotting bit of a gossamer we had bought at the last landing of bonded folk, and he talked with a brogue that thickened whenever he grew excited.

"For the packet, I do not doubt you, Darby," I answered. "But you must show me the pirate."

Peter Corlier chuckled in his quiet, rumbling way, his huge belly wagging before him beneath his buckskin hunting shirt, for all the world like a monster mold of jelly.

"Ja, ja, show us der pirates," he jeered.

Darby flared up in a burst of Irish temper that matched his tangled red hair.

"I would I were a pirate and had you at my mercy, you butter tub," he raged. "I'll warrant you'd tread the plank!"

"Darby," said I, "have you done the errands my father set you?"

"Every one," answered he.

"Very well. Then get you into the storeroom and sort over the pelts Peter fetched in."

He flung off with a scowl as I turned to Peter.

"My father will wish to know the packet arrived," I said. "Will you go with me to the governors?" The council must be on the point of breaking up, for they have been sitting since noon.

Peter heaved his enormous body erect. And I marvelled, as always after a period of absence, at his proportions. To one who did not know him he seemed a butter tub of a man, as Darby had called him—a mass of tallow, fat limbs, a pork barrel of a trunk, a fat slab of a face upon which shined insignificant features grotesquely at variance with the rest of his bulk. His little eyes peered innocently between rolls of fat which all but masked them. His nose was a miniature dab, about a mouth a child might have owned.

But under his layers of blubber were concealed muscles of forged steel, and he was capable of the agility of a catamount. The man had not lived on the frontier who could face him barehanded and escape.

"Ja," he said simply. "We go."

He stood his musket in a corner and slipped off powder horn and shot pouch the while I donned hat and greatcoat, for the air was still chilly and there was a scum of snow on the ground. We passed out into Pearl street and walked westward to Hanover square, and there on the farther side of the square I applied my father, with Governor Clinton and Lieutenant Governor Colden.

And it made my heart warm to see how these and several other gentlemen hung upon his words. There had been those who slandered him during the uproar over the '45, for he was known to have been a Jacobite in his youth; but his friends were more powerful than his enemies, and I joy to think that he was not the least influential of those of our leaders who held New York loyal to King George when many were for casting in our fortunes with the Pretender.

He saw Peter and me as we ap-



"I Made Her Out for a Frigate."

er two days past, and at the first I made her out for a frigate by the top hamper she carried.

"A frigate?" protested Master Colden. "So big as that?"

"Aye, sir, my master! And if I have any eye for a ship's lines and canvas she was none other than the Royal James that chased me three days together when I was home bound from the West Indies in '43."

"That would be the vessel of the fellow known usually as Captain Rip-Rap," spoke up my father, and there was a quality in his voice which led me to regard him closely.

It was manifest that he labored in the grip of some strong emotion; but the only indication of this in his face was a slight rigidity of feature, and none of the others marked it. I was the more amazed because my father was a man of iron nerves, and also, though his earlier years had been starred with a series of extraordinary adventures, so far as I knew he had had nothing to do with the sea.

"True for you, Master Ormerod," answered Captain Farraday; and since Henry Morgan died there hath not lived a more complete rogue. One of my mates was taken by him off Jamaica ten years gone and eldes him for a man of exquisite dress and manners that would baffle a London macaroni, God save us! And, moreover, is as arrant a Jacobite as ever was. Witness the name of his ship."

"I have heard he sails, as a rule, in company," remarked my father.

"He works with John Flint, who is no less of a rascal, albeit rougher, according to those unfortunates who have fallen in his path. Flint sails in the Walrus, a tall ship out of Plymouth that was on the Smyrna run before she fell into his hands. Retwixt them they are a pretty pair."

Captain Farraday stopped perforce for breath, and Governor Clinton seized the opportunity to ask with a smile:

"Captain Rip-Rap, did you call your partner? What manner of name is this?"

The merchantman shrugged his shoulders.

"Nobody knows, sir. But 'tis the only name he goes by. I ha' heard that years past—oh, it may be twenty or more—he stopped a home-bound Chesapeake packet, and when the master was hailed aboard the first question he asked was 'did he have any rip-rap in his cargo?' For it seems he is singularly partial to that mixture of snuff. And now, I ha' been told, his own men give him this name, for even they do not know for certain to which he was born."

"Tis said he was a gentleman who suffered for his political convictions, but that is as like to be a lie as the truth. All I know, is that he chased me in past the Hook, though the Anne showed him clean pair o' heels and had run him tops'ls down w' sunrise this morn'ing. And when I made the harbor, 'twas to find there was not a king's ship to send after him."

"Yes, nodded the governor, 'the Thetis frigate sailed for home with dispatches a week ago. But I will send express to Boston, where Commodore Burrage lies, and bid him to get to sea without loss of time. Doubt not, our good commodore will make them rue the day."

"But doubt it I must, your excellency," returned Captain Farraday with sturdy independence. "An express to Boston, say you? Humph! That will require two days or three. Another day to put to sea. Two days, or it may be three, to beat south. Why, my masters, in a week's time Rip-Rap and Flint will have wrought whatever fiendish purpose they have in view and be off beyond reach."

"Mayhap, mayhap," said the governor, with a touch of impatience. "But 'tis the best I can do."

And with Lieutenant Governor Colden and the rest he made to move off. Only my father lingered.

"You have letters for me, Captain Farraday?" he asked.

"Aye, indeed, sir—from Master Allen, your agent in London. I was on my way to deliver 'em. And a goodly store of strouds, axes, knives, beads, tools, flints and other trade goods to your account."

"I will accept the letters at your hands, and even save you the trip to Pearl street, captain," replied my father. "My son, Robert, here, will visit you aboard ship in the morning and take measures to arrange for transshipping your cargo."

"I ha' no quarrel with such terms," rejoined Captain Farraday, fishing a silken-wrapped packet from his coat-tail pocket. "Here you are, Master Ormerod. And I'll be off to the George tavern for a bite of shore food and a mug of mull'd ale."

My father fidgeted the packet in his hands for a moment.

"You are certain 'twas Captain Rip-Rap who chased you?" he asked then.

"I'd swear to his foretop'sls," answered Farraday confidently. "As I said afore, he chased me once in '43, and Jenkins he took off Jamaica in the ship Cynthia out o' Southampton, when Flint was for drowning the lot o' them; but Rip-Rap, in his cold way, says there was no point to slaying without purpose, and they turned 'em loose in the longboat. And there's none left 'on the Account' that sail in a great ship fit to be a king's frigate save it be Rip-Rap—Flint's Walrus is a tall ship and heavy armed, but hath not the sail spread o' the Royal James. Jenkins says she was a Frenchman, and 'tis to be admitted she hath the fine-run lines the Frenchies build."

My father was hard put to it to make head against this flow of talk, but at last he succeeded.

"It was my understanding," he said, "that Captain Rip-Rap disappeared from the West Indies during the late war. I give you thanks, captain. Pray call upon me at your leisure, and if I can be of any service to you I am at your command."

Captain Farraday stumped off toward the George.

My father nodded absently to Peter, who had stood throughout the entire conversation, his flat face sleepily imperturbable.

"I like it not," he muttered, as if to himself.

Peter gave him a quick look but said nothing.

"Is there anything wrong, father?" I asked.

He frowned at me, then stared off at the house-tops in a way he had, almost as if he sought to peer beyond the future.

"No—yes—I do not know," he broke off abruptly.

"Peter, I am glad you are here," he added.

"Ja," said Peter vacantly.

"You have not looked at your letters yet," I reminded him.

"I have no occasion to," he retorted. "There is that which—but the street is no place for such conversation. Come home, my boy; come home."

Darby McGraw met us at the door, and from his wild gaze I knew him to be half expecting to see pirates hot-foot at our heels.

"Have you perused your tasks, Darby?" questioned my father.

"Yes, master."

"Be off with you, then. I wish not to be disturbed."

"See can you find us late news of the pirates, Darby," I added as he slipped by.

He answered me with a merry scowl, but my father spun on his heel.

"What mean you by that Robert?" says he.

"I was nonplussed."

"Why, naught, sir. Darby is daft on pirates. He—"

Peter Corlier shut the room-door upon the Irish boy and came toward us, moving with the swift stealth that was one of his most astonishing characteristics.

"Ja, he does not know," he said. "What?" challenged my father.

"What you and I know," returned the Dutchman calmly.

"Do you know, too, Peter?"

"Ja."

I could restrain my impatience no longer.

"What is this mystery?" I demanded. "I thought I knew all the secrets of the business; but sure, father, I never thought to hear that we were concerned as a firm with pirates!"

"We are not," my father answered curtly. "This is a matter of which you know nothing, Robert, because until now there has been no occasion for you to know of it."

He hesitated.

"Peter," he went on, "must we tell the boy?"

"He is not a boy; he is a man," said Peter.

I flashed my gratitude to the fat Dutchman in a smile, but he paid no attention. My father, too, seemed to forget me. He strode up and down the counting room, hands under the skirts of his coat, head bowed in thought. Tags of phrases escaped his lips:

"I had thought him dead—strange if he bobs up again—here is a problem I had never thought to face—mayhap I exaggerate—it cannot have significance—for us—Certes, it must be accident—"

"Neen, he comes for a purpose," interrupted Peter.

My father stayed his walk in front of Peter by the fireplace, wherein blazed a heap of elm logs.

"Who do you fancy this Captain Rip-Rap to be, Peter? Speak up! You were right when you said Robert is no longer a boy. If there is danger here, he deserves to know of it."

"He is Murray," replied Corlier, his squeaking voice an incongruous contrast with his immense bulk.

"Andrew Murray?" mused my father.

"Aye, 'twould be he. I have suspected it all these years—held it for certainty. But I made sure when he failed to show himself after the last war that Providence had attended to him. It seems I was wrong."

"Whoever he is, this pirate can do no harm to us in New York," I made bold to say.

"Be not so sure, Robert," advised my father. "He happens to be your great-uncle."

He reached up to the rack over the fireplace and selected a long clay pipe which he stuffed with tobacco the while I was recovering from my astonishment.

"Your uncle?" I gasped.

"No, your mother's."

"But he was the great trader who conducted the contraband trade with Canada!" I cried. "I have heard of him. 'Twas he established the Doom trail to enable him to supply the French fur traders with goods to wend the far savages from us! You have told me of him yourself, as hath Master Colden. 'Twas he, whom you and Corlier and the Iroquois fought when you broke down the barriers of the Doom trail and won back the fur trade to our people. Why, 'twas then you—you—"

"I knew the deep feeling my father had for my long-dead mother, and I scrupled to stir his memories. He himself took the words from my lips."

"Yes, 'twas then I came to love your mother. She—she was not such as you would expect to find allied by any ties with so great a scoundrel. But she was his niece—past doubt, Robert. She was a Kerr of Fernside; her mother had been Murray's sister. Kerr and Murray were out together in the '45; Kerr fell at Sherburne. His widow died not long afterward, and Murray took poor wail Marjory."

"He did well by her—there's no denying that. But he always intended to use her to further his own designs. He had a cold eye for the future, with no thought except of his own advantage, and if I— But there's no need to go into that. You know, Robert, how Corlier and the Seneca chief, Tawanan—near—near he is now the Guardian of the Western Door of the Long House—and I were able to smash the vast power Murray had built up on the frontier."

"We smashed him so utterly, discredited him too, withal, that he was obliged to flee the provinces; and even his friends, the French, would have none of him—at least aboveboard. I have always fancied he still served their interests at large; for he is at bottom a most fanatical Jacobite, and eke sincere in a queer, twisted way. Aye, there is that about him which is difficult to understand, Robert. Himself, he hath no hesitation in believing he serves high purposes of state in all that he does."

"Only a madman could lay claim to serving the state as a pirate," I objected.

"You speak with overconfidence," rebuked my father. "There are men alive today who can remember when Morgan and Davis and Dampier and many another brave fellow of the same kidney lived by piracy and served the king at one and the same time. Some of 'em were hung in the end, and Morgan died a knight. It can be done."

"How?"

"Consider, my boy! Murray—your great-uncle mind you!—is a Jacobite. For our present government he hath only hatred and contempt. Any means by which that government was undermined would seem to him justifiable as aiding to bring about its downfall. Look to the fantastic humor of the man in naming his ship the Royal James!"

"If he be, indeed, the man you think he is," I returned, none too well pleased with the thought of having a pirate for a great-uncle. My father laughed heartily and tapped me on the knee with his free hand.

"I know how you feel, dear lad," he said. "'Twas so identically your mother talked. Bless her heart! We were fresh married when the precious nascal sent us by one of his tarrybrecks that necklace which lies now in my strong box—the loot of some Indian queen mayhap. In his way he cared for her, and he took much interest in all she did. By hook or crook he had word of us, however far he wandered. He knew when you were born. He knew when she died. And now that you have reached manhood he shows his sails outside Sandy hook. I

do not know what it means, Robert, but I like it not, I like it not!"

"But we are not at sea," I protested. "We are in New York. There are soldiers in Fort George. Commodore Burrage will be down from Boston anon. What can a pirate ship, what can two pirate ships, effect against us? Why, the city train bands—"

"'Tis not force I dread," my father cut me off. "'Tis the infernal cleverness of a warped mind."

"Ja," agreed Peter.

My father thrust the stem of his pipe toward him.

"You feel it, too, old friend?" he cried then.

"If Murray is here he means no good," the Dutchman answered ponderously. "No pirates come north in der cold weather for just fun. Neen! Here is too much danger; no place to run and hide."

"At least we are on the alert," I said.

My father laughed, and Corlier's ridiculous, slithering giggle echoed his grim mirth.

"An intelligent foe discounts so much upon launching his venture," my father answered. "Let us hope we have a modicum of luck to aid us. Whatever plans Murray hath in trend 'twill come to us unexpectedly and adroit in execution. But tush! There's the dinner bell. A truce to foreboding!"

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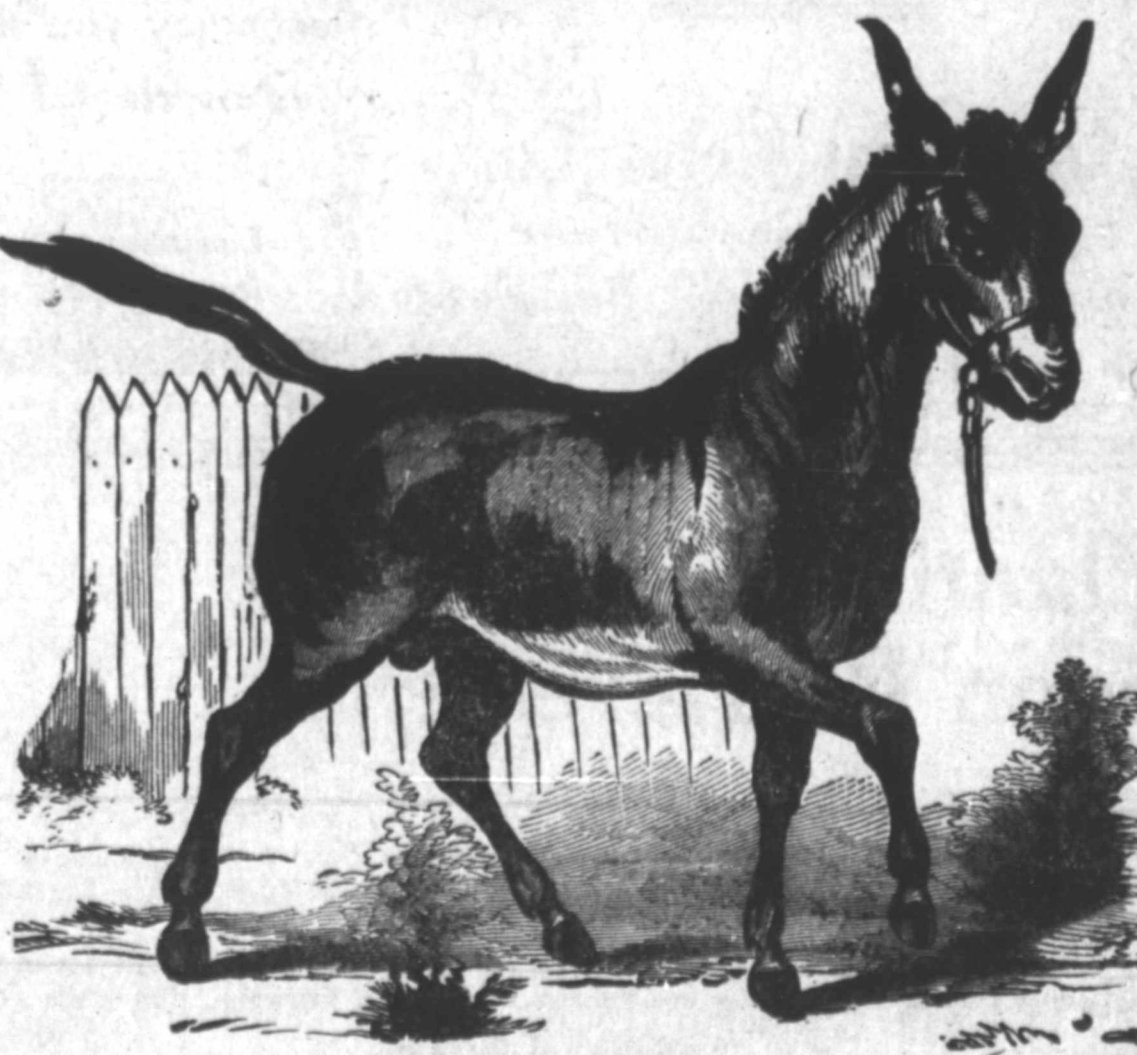
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Notice of Hearing of Thomas J. H. Keller

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF
ROOSEVELT COUNTY, N. M.

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GENERAL DIPPING ORDERS
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ISSUED BY THE CATTLE
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March 15, 1926.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: At a meeting of the Cattle Sanitary Board of New Mexico at their office in Albuquerque, New Mexico, March 15 and 16, 1926, and under authority conferred upon them by Chapter 3 compiled Laws of 1915 State of New Mexico covering the prevention handling and eradication of infectious and contagious diseases among cattle.

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We are going to increase the size of our newspaper advertisements in the papers and also may increase the number of ads run. Mr. Atwell said. The change is being made because the company has decided that newspaper advertising will better give its message to the people. Mr. Atwell indicated. Plains Journal.

The Cochran County News has asked us to add their name to our list. The News is the new paper at Bledsoe, Texas.

3RD DISTRICT CLUB MEET

Third District meeting of N. M. Federated Clubs, Clovis, April 9-10. Mrs. J. P. Joyce, Carlsbad, President.

Musical Features.
Local Announcements.
5:00 p. m. Adjournment.

Wednesday Evening
Entertainment by Hostess Clubs.

Thursday Morning, April 15th.
9:00 a. m. Executive Board meeting.

9:30 a. m. Opening Ceremonies.
Mrs. Fuller and Mrs. Bear presiding.

Reading of Recommendations of executive board, followed by business.

Memorial services. Reading of Memoirs of all Club members in district who have died since our last district meeting.

Appropriate music.
Local demonstrations of club work.

12:00 noon, Luncheon.

Thursday Afternoon
Mrs. Fuller presiding.

2:00 p. m. Assembly singing.
Greeting from other organizations and any visitors of note.

Round-table of club presidents.
Report of resolutions committee.

Business.
Invitation for next district meeting.

Assembly singing.
Benediction.

5:00 p. m. Adjournment.

Thursday Evening.
Mrs. Fuller and Mrs. Ross presiding.

8:00 p. m. Concert by musical talent of clubs in district, also by Albuquerque entertainers. Mrs. Ross chairman of concert.

Chairman of housing committee Mrs. C. A. Schumaker, Albuquerque, ask that you please send the names and number of delegates to her in order to make arrangements easy for our hostesses. Delegates, officers and district chairman will be housed, given breakfasts and one banquet, other meals to be obtained by the delegate paying plan.

To clubs of the second district: Let us make of this Convention a real get-together affair, thus making of our clubs one large family, and may we each be bettered by having assembled at this time, inspired on to the road of uplift and progress.

Cordially,
BETHEL VERNON FULLER.

THIRD DISTRICT
Clovis, April 9-10.

Mrs. J. F. Joyce, Carlsbad, president.

Friday Evening, April 9
8:00 a. m. One-act play, followed by reception of club women.

Saturday Morning
9:00 a. m. Executive board meeting.

9:30 Credentials committee.

10:00 a. m. Formal opening of Convention, Mrs. J. F. Joyce presiding.

Assembly singing "America the Beautiful", Leader, Mrs. George Brantley.

Club Litany.
Address of welcome, Mrs. James Hall, Clovis.

Response, Mrs. John Finley, Ft. Sumner.

Appointment of resolution committee.

Minutes (executive board and 1925 Convention).

Presentation of State Officers.
District President's message.

Singing.
Reports of district officers and chairman.

Club reports by club presidents.
Board of directors' meeting at Washington, Mrs. Grace T. Bear.

Roswell director.

12:30 p. m. Luncheon.

Afternoon Session

2:00 p. m. Singing.

State President's address, Mrs. L. I. Taylor.

2:40 p. m. Club Institute, Mrs. James T. Stalker, Clovis.

Singing.

2:50 p. m. Co-operation with War Veterans, Mrs. O. R. Haymaker, Roswell.

3:00 p. m. Fine Arts.

Literature, Mrs. M. B. Skeen, district chairman.

Music, Mrs. George Brantley, district chairman.

Drama, Mrs. L. I. Garton, district chairman.

Art, Mrs. J. G. Osburn, district chairman.

Exhibit of American Pottery Open to Public.

4:00 p. m. Sectional meetings.

Club presidents, district president presiding.

Chairman, State President presiding.

6:30 p. m. Dinner.

Saturday Evening

8:00 p. m. Address, Mr. O. W. Hockin.

8:30 p. m. Concert by district talent.

Please read Article 5, Section 1 and 2 of the district by-laws on "Membership dues" and act accordingly.

Please send names of delegates at your earliest convenience to Mrs. James L. Stalker, chairman of committee on arrangements at Clovis.

The action of the State Convention at Santa Fe last October was that all delegates who attended these meetings shall be on the self-paying plan.

TILDEN ATKINSON JOYCE,
President.

MALJAMAR GAS IS INCREASING AND COLORING

Roswell Record April 3.—

Drilling operations at the Maljamar, northeast corner of section 21-17-32, Lea county, were resumed yesterday after a delay of several days caused by the necessity of setting 300 feet of 8 1/2 inch casing. The casings in the well were drilled out and baled out yesterday and the gas pressure immediately came back to 10,000,000 cubic feet according to reports from Artesia this morning.

The drillers had gone into the hole only 3-1-2 feet last night, but this drilling increased the gas flow considerably and the gas was becoming darker and heavier according to the latest information from the well today. The fact that the gas is coloring up, is about the best possible indication, according to operators here today.

Oil men here are looking for big things from the Caprock section within the next few days. With the big drill going farther into the undiscovered region of the new Lea county field, something is liable to happen any time and it most likely to be big, in fact bigger than oil men of southeastern New Mexico have permitted themselves to hope for.

More and more interest is being taken in the Caprock section and Lea county by the major oil companies. It was stated on most reliable information at Artesia yesterday that practically every major company in the mid-continent field had representatives on the ground waiting and watching.

They are now all waiting and watching either for the reason that several of the major companies, among them E. M. Treat and company, Humble Oil company and others have purchased what they class as "protection" acreage in the Caprock section.

The Phillips Petroleum Company, are contemplating a casing head

gasoline plant in the Artesia field, are contemplating another plant in the Caprock section of Lea county, according to information from Artesia today. The discovery of the big gas flow in the Maljamar and the tests of this gas showing it to be high in gasoline content, has attracted the attention of officials of the Phillips Petroleum Company who are now here from Amarillo making an investigation of the matter.

PORTALES SPRINGS ITEMS
