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N.R.A. Mass Meeting Is Called for Friday at 7:30 p.m. at Court House

Committees Are to Be Appointed

Mayor J. N. McCall has issued a call for a mass meeting at the court house on Friday night at 7:30 o'clock for discussion of the N. R. A. program. All business men and citizens are invited.

The object of this meeting is to form a working body for the administration of the President's National Recovery Administration. Committees will be appointed for the enforcement of this code among the business men of Portales and also for the consumers, that a buying campaign may be started to make this code effective.

The display of the blue eagle will mean that you have met the President's requirements, and if you are using the blue eagle illegally it will be the duty of the committee to enforce the provisions thereof.

Everybody is cordially invited to attend this meeting.

Corn Promises 40 Bushel Yield

Sunday the News representatives drove out to the Kentucky Valley and Claudell community.

Crops near Kentucky Valley are looking good and much of the corn will make forty bushels to the acre with a rain in the next week.

On the A. J. Smith farm 100 acres of the early planting is looking fine and will mature with another rain.

One hundred or more acres of late planting is looking good and, with a good rain in the next ten days, will mature sufficiently for cutting.

Cattle along the drive were in good shape and grass was fine.

Wheat Plan for Farms With No Crop This Year

The preliminary meetings conducted by the Extension Service to explain the wheat adjustment plan have been completed in the more important wheat producing counties of New Mexico. The enthusiasm of the wheat growers for the plan indicates that most farmers who are eligible to co-operate with the government in the wheat adjustment program and receive allotment benefits will sign the application for a contract just as soon as the necessary legal forms are received. It is expected that these forms will be available within the next few days so that the actual signing of the applications can begin.

Farmers who grew wheat in the three years previous to 1933, but who seeded none for this year's crop, may come under the government's wheat plan, but are eligible only to share in the benefits for 1934 and 1935, and are not eligible for payments based on the 1933 crop, the Agricultural Adjustment Administration has announced.

However, any such grower must sign the wheat contract this fall, in order to be eligible for the benefits during the last two years of the plan. Under the contract, he will agree to reduce wheat acreage for the 1934 and 1935 crops by whatever percentage may be required by the secretary of agriculture, but the secretary may not require more than 20 per cent of his average planted acreage for the three year period, 1930-1932.

Furthermore, the administration announces, farmers who join in the plan, in order to receive full payments this year, must have planted enough acreage for the 1933 crop to have produced their allotment at their average yield. For farmers who planted less acreage than this for the 1933 crop, the adjustment payment will be scaled down in proportion to the amount planted for the 1933 crop. Then, if the farmer plants enough to produce his allotment in 1934 and 1935, he will be entitled to whatever payments are made for those years.

Linen Shower for Baptist Hospital

Portales people are asked to co-operate in a linen shower for the Baptist hospital at Clavis Thursday, Aug. 31. There will be a program at the local Baptist church from 4 to 5.

There has been over \$4,000 charity work done at this hospital this year, and a part of this work has come from Portales.

There is a great need of sheets, lunch cloths, pillow slips for this hospital. Dimensions for these will appear next week.

Carl Turner, Ted Forbes and Jack Turner spent the week end in Lakeview fishing.

Raymond Hewitt's Condition Better

Band Master Ernest Pogue went to Clavis Monday afternoon to see the father of Raymond Hewitt, the member of the All-State who was taken sick in Chicago.

Mr. Hewitt states that his son is able to be out of bed at the hospital. It was not stated just when the young fellow would be at home. He was placed in the West Suburban hospital and was given excellent care.

There is considerable inquiry in Portales as to how "the band boy" is getting along. He has played with the local band in a number of its concerts.

Turner Hensley to Open Law Office

Turner Hensley is having his building next to the gas company remodeled, placing a hardwood floor and putting the entire building in tip top shape, which will be used for his law office.

He will open his office here as soon as the building is completed.

He is also remodeling the building next to the utilities company, with a hardwood floor and a general overhauling.

We Must Take N. R. A. Seriously



The success or failure of the N. R. A. plan for bringing back normal conditions rests with every citizen. By patronizing the merchants and other business men who display the blue eagle each of us may help to bring this about.

Consumers leagues have been organized to put over the N. R. A. program, urging the public to trade with the N. R. A. members.

By Sept. 1 codes in every line of business will have been approved, and the blue eagle will be displayed in the windows of every loyal American business house.

The N. R. A. must be a success or the nation is sunk. To illustrate, the following newspaper story is going the rounds: A well-wisher said to President Roosevelt, "You will either be the greatest President the nation has ever had, or the worst failure." To which the President replied, "I may not be the greatest President, but I will either be a successful President or the last President." While this may be a newspaper joke, it gives food for serious thought.

Unless the nation recovers, with the unemployed earning a living and the farmers and business men showing profits, a red revolution will follow.

You can aid the nation's recovery by joining the N. R. A. and, as consumers, patronize the members of the N. R. A.

Portales Schools Will Open Sept. 4 With Greatly Increased Enrollment

Walter Krattli to Teach in College

Walter Krattli is in the educational department of Park college of Parkville, Mo.

Last year was his first year with the institution. He was re-elected this year with a considerable raise in salary.

He received his doctor's degree from Kansas university last spring. He has spent considerable time in that institution.

Krattli was at one time superintendent of the Portales schools. He was in charge when the high school building was erected and many other improvements were made.

STEINER FAMILY BACK

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Steiner and little daughter, Julia Ann, returned Friday from Kansas and Missouri. Mr. Steiner has been working on his M. A. degree at Kansas university, while Mrs. Steiner and Julia Ann visited with Mrs. Steiner's mother and Mr. Steiner's parents.

Vacation Period Nearing Close

The Portales schools will open for the coming term on Monday, Sept. 4, and preparations are already under way for the school work.

The first faculty meeting will be held on Saturday afternoon of Sept. 2 at 2 o'clock.

High school enrollment for those students who have never been enrolled in the Portales high school will be on Friday, Sept. 1. This does not apply to junior high school graduates who enrolled last spring.

Portales as a whole is looking forward to the opening of school with much interest, as the many hundreds of children attending lend a busy appearance to the city. Present indications are that the enrollment will exceed that of last year.

President to Speed Plans for Recovery

President Roosevelt took over personal direction of the national recovery drive Sunday in conferences in the White House with his principal aides, says a press dispatch from Washington.

Recovery administrators fashioned plans to shape the blue eagle insignia into one of the most powerful weapons of enforcement ever wielded by the federal government.

For All Employers

Sources close to the leaders of the industrial drive disclosed the determination to use the NRA emblem—which they believe will be less challengeable in the courts than some sections of the recovery act—as a lever to boost all employers under the shorter hour and higher wage regulations.

Meanwhile, President Roosevelt took a direct hand. He summoned to the White House for a meeting Monday or Tuesday the members of the special recovery council determined to synchronize various phases of the re-employment movement.

Estimates coming piecemeal from the administration as the temporary provisions for hour and wage schedules have been approved Sunday showed that well above 10,000,000 of the approximately 40,000,000 workers already have been reached.

Stop Foreclosures

From another quarter there came an appeal by Representative Jones (D. Tex.) that all mortgage and loan companies be asked to formulate a code which would end foreclosures on city and farm properties for three years.

Jones pointed out that "this would work no hardship on these companies, as most of them desire to have money at interest."

Banks Requested to Accept Home Bonds

Banks of New Mexico will be requested to accept bonds of the Home Owners Loan corporation for mortgages and as security and collateral, E. C. Robertson, state home loan manager, announced Saturday.

Mr. Robertson received word that the Bank of America, with 415 branches on the coast, has instructed its branches to accept the bonds.

He has received word also from Washington that the R.F.C. will accept home loan bonds as collateral on loans, that the Federal Reserve banks will accept the bonds as collateral for loans to member banks, and that the bonds will be accepted also as security for postal savings.

General acceptance of the bonds will materially aid in making cash available to mortgage holders, who will be urged to accept bonds rather than foreclose on property.

Opening of the office of the Home Loan corporation in the federal building is being delayed until the legal forms and special mortgage forms for New Mexico are obtained.

Mr. Robertson said that mortgage holders will be asked to accept bonds rather than cash because the loans can be made with bonds here, while cash loans will require the approval of the Washington office, which is expected to take considerable time.

UNION SERVICE ON COURT HOUSE LAWN

There will be a union service of the churches of Portales on the court house lawn on Sunday evening.

Rev. Mix of Clavis will speak on "Temperance."

R. A. M.

The R. A. M. lodge met at the Masonic hall Monday evening in their regular meeting. A very interesting and instructive meeting was reported.

Mr. and Mrs. Moll Grinson, who are staying with Miss Susan Grinson and Bessie Grinson of Elida, while Bob Grinson is in Kentucky, and Mrs. Reed Murrell and two sons, spent the week end visiting relatives in Portales.

Portales Honor Roll of N. R. A. Emblem

The following local firms have signed the N. R. A. agreement to date of Aug. 15:

Phillips Petroleum company, New Mexico Utilities company, Priddy-Pooshee Grocery company, L. Stool, City Bakery, Wauson Service Station, Pearce Pharmacy, Price Coal company, Craddock Grain company, Fields & Bonner, Portales Barber Shop, Hammons Service Station, New Mexico Drug company, Ladies' Specialty Shop, Farha Grocery, Slater Coal company, Travelers' Inn, State Barber Shop, Ike Hughes Confectionery, Cash Grocery, E. N. Neer Hardware, Portales Abstract company, Portales Canning company, Ed J. Neer Drug Store, Portales Poultry and Egg company.

Taylor Sandwich Shop, L. B. Stone company, Brown's Service Station, First National Bank, Carr Lumber company, Home Furniture company, Portales Hardware company, Robertson Produce company, Lila Park camp, Hamburger King, Ester Barber Shop, Papp's Cafe, Kemp Lumber company, United Dry Goods Store, Portales Drug company, Hall Cleaners, F. T. McDonald, merchant.

Wood Garage, Portales Pump & Supply company, George & King Hardware, J. B. Sledge Hardware company, H. W. Davidson Broom company, Phillips Petroleum, J. C. Penney company, Portales Valley News, Townsley Barber Shop, Snelson Bakery, Steele Grocery Store, Wilson Tailor Shop, Jack's Cafe, McCall Grocery and Market, B. & B. Fruit Market, Robertson Bros. Pool Hall, Red Star Shoe Shop, Farmers Co-operative Elev. Assn., Portales Bottling company, Bob Adams Cafe.

Priddy & Yoachim Meat Market, Standard Oil Company of Cal., Shaw Broom Factory, Cleveland Insurance agency, Howard's Confectionery and Drug Store, Piggy-Wiggly, Portales Lumber company, Roosevelt Co. Abstract and Realty company, Skinner's Shoe Shop, M. System, Continental Oil company, Yoachim's Grocery, Portales Motor Company, Inc., Liberty Cafe.

Polar Ice company, Service Gin company, Orange Service Station, Waife House Cafe, Fred Marshall Service Station, R. E. Griffith Barber Shop, Portales Bakery, Portales Mill and Machine Shop, Nelson Service Station, South Service Station, Arrow Service Station, City of Portales, Super Filling Station, Youngblood Garage, Portales Garage.

There are a few firms who have not signed up, as their codes are now under consideration by the department, but they will sign up as soon as a code is approved.

FIE SUPPER FRIDAY AT EAST VALLEY VIEW

A pie supper will be given at the East Valley View school house Friday night, Aug. 18, in behalf of the singing school which Mr. Tabor has been teaching for the last five weeks.

Special music and singing will be given in addition. Everyone come and, girls, bring your favorite pie and, boys, bring money to buy these pies. Come expecting good entertainment, for it will be there for you.

EASTERN STAR MEETS

The Eastern Star met at regular session Thursday night. Plans were completed for the official visit of the grand worthy matron, Mrs. Ione Jones of Clavis, at the next regular meeting.

There will be a school of instruction in the afternoon. Mrs. Jones is quite good in this and also is an interesting speaker.

NEWS WANTADS GET RESULTS

Portales Valley Tomato Crop Good With Fair Market Price Anticipated

Santa Fe Taking Measures to Curb Reign of Bandits

A conference of law enforcing officials of Santa Fe with Gov. Seligman was held Monday as a result of an extensive feeling of alarm prevalent in the city due to kidnapping and hoodlum activities. Reports of possible gangster assemblies, leasing of a ranch near here as headquarters and other mob activities have been reaching the governor for several days. Possibility the national guard may be called out was expressed to allay the fears in the city.

Some business firms handling large sums of money have been under guard here for several days. Officers have been equipped with tear gas guns and bombs and the penitentiary is making available a supply of machine guns borrowed from the national guard.

Greatest Picnic of the Summer

Held at Garrison Aug. 18 and 19

Farm Holiday locals of all south-east Roosevelt county will co-ordinate and consolidate efforts to have the greatest picnic in the country's history at Garrison next Friday and Saturday, Aug. 18 and 19.

Public speaking by noted speakers, rodeo contests, baseball by the leading teams, the best of entertainment all have been arranged. Farmers, merchants and teachers, whether Holiday members or not, are vying with each other to make this the greatest occasion in the history of eastern New Mexico.

This will be largely an old settlers' reunion. Men who have pioneered and made history in this country, are sponsoring this meeting and will constitute a large part of the gathering. Every patriotic home should be represented and help make this an enjoyable time. No one is requested to bring dinner, as a plentiful supply has been donated. Barbecued beef will be supplied all who come. Just bring your cups and plates, the rest is free. Dinner will be served at 11:30 a. m.

In order that all may have the opportunity to enjoy the speaking and the sports, games and amusements, there will be no games during the speaking.

We wish to show you a good time—instructive as well as enjoyable.

The arbor will be seven miles east and six miles south of Dora; one mile east and nine miles south of Rogers. There will be comfortable seating capacity for all.

As indicative of the altruistic spirit prevailing, I give a list of business firms who are donating liberally:

Frank Jones' store, Garrison; Hudson's and Judah's stores, Clavis; Gregory's store, Lingo; Pep store, Richland; Neise Victor, of Dora; Dewberry's store, Dora; Pop Post, Rogers, and George McCormack, Rogers.

Farmers too numerous to mention have donated.

The location of this picnic is centrally located in southeast Roosevelt county.

All parties interested in concessions see Frank Jones, Garrison. U. S. Price is chairman of the selection and training for a team to put on some initiatory work.

Re-Employment Board Named

The following re-employment committee for Roosevelt county has been named by the state:

Erna Watts, Portales; Mrs. Esther Cleveland, Portales; W. J. Crume, Elida; C. M. Compton, Portales; E. N. Wheeler, Portales.

FLOYD COMMUNITY IS NEEDING RAIN

Some of the farmers of the Floyd community are needing rain on their crops in order to mature them.

Don Griffin stated Tuesday that it is "rain or no grain." The corn is in the silk and tassel and the maize, kaffir, etc., are in the boot. The broom corn is in the boot and is going to have to have another rain to make a full crop.

Brown, in the south part of the community, states that in a mile and a half of his farm, his neighbors have had a good rain lately. The general reports in that part of the county indicate that a good rain could be used to advantage.

Woman's Club to Sponsor Flower Show Here on Saturday, Sept. 16

Brown, Educator and Dairyman

L. L. Brown, who is the grade principal of the Portales schools, is very much interested in good dairy cows.

He lives on a small farm at the edge of town. During his spare time he looks after the farm and his cows.

He started in three years ago with four cows and three heifer calves. Now he has twenty-eight head of Jersey dairy stock.

He is milking sixteen head at present. The cows are fat. He says that he does not know if he is going to be able to keep on feeding them so well, if the price of cream keeps going down.

N.R.A. CHEATERS WILL BE PUNISHED, SAYS JOHNSON

Gen. Hugh S. Johnson, straight speaking head of the national recovery administration, flew into St. Louis Sunday and delivered a strong plea for the President's re-employment program, explaining that its success depended upon co-operation of the "people in each town," and in the last analysis upon the women.

To the quoted assertion of skeptics that "there are blue eagles everywhere, but the employers who show them are cheating," the national recovery administrator assured a crowd of 15,000 listeners that action against the "unimportant chiseling fringe" will come soon.

In asking the co-operation of the American housewife, General Johnson said:

"The job of any woman in this program is a very vital, active and definite one. In the first place, she should insist on display of the blue eagle by every store supplying her home."

"Buy, buy now!" he shouted. "Buy everything you need and have so long denied yourself. It is the key to the whole situation."

He explained that retailers must restock at increase costs of 40 to 60 per cent, and that this offered the "best reason in the world for buying."

Fake Hold-up at Girl Scout Camp

Being held up, having her purse stolen and being tied to a tree, was the experience that befell Miss Thelma Trot, member of the national training staff of the Girl Scouts on her way to Camp Mary White, near Roswell, on Sunday, Aug. 6.

She and Miss Mary White, camp director, who were stopped by a log laid across the road, managed to wrench their bonds loose and come into camp, where they were greeted by a chuck wagon supper given by Mr. and Mrs. Eliza White, parents of Miss White, and by staff members, who had staged the hold-up. Miss Trot will teach a tramping and trailing course at the camp during the next two weeks.

A pet show and a program by Hazel Pete and Josephine Myers of the Santa Fe Indian school will comprise the week's campfires.

Aug. 13 the camp had a free barbecue, their annual Governors' day event, when they fed 1,500 guests. The second camping period closed on that date and a new group of campers arrived, among them Miss Virginia Kessler of Portales.

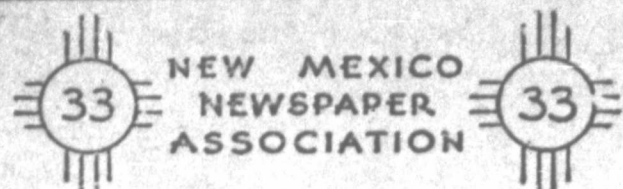
Miss Adele Oldham and Miss Edna Parnell, leaders, and Marie Neer also are in camp.

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Alaska, Canada, Mexico	2.50

TRADE AT HOME LESSON OF N. R. A.

The new national recovery act is a patriotic measure. It started out to be that in the first place. Of course, it had a threat of mandatory act in it, if we failed of appreciating and measuring up to the opportunity it presented.

Certain legally minded and trained individuals have intimated to us that the N. R. A. is unconstitutional, that the government has no power to enforce it, etc. May be, but it would be foolish to buck it.

Didn't President Roosevelt say recently that the success of the N. R. A. or any other act of congress is dependent entirely on the support given it by the people?

Public opinion, then—plus public action—will do more than the pen or the sword, or any other force for good to make the N. R. A. effective and resultful.

Here in Raton, as we see it, the whole proposition simmers down to one course of procedure for everybody. There must be concerted action in this connection. And if there is, the county as well as the city will benefit.

If we really want to make the N. R. A. "do its stuff" locally we must all, each and every one of us, TRADE AT HOME. Now, as never before, must we recognize the fact that the life and progress, yea, even the existence of our community, is absolutely dependent on our willingness to keep Raton money in Raton to aid Raton business and payrolls.

Local merchants are signing up. They are agreeing to the employment of more help, they are agreeing to pay more wages, they are agreeing to shorter working hours, they are agreeing to stabilize and maintain prices, they are announcing their intention of supporting the blanket code to the limit of their ability.

Well, if the business men of Raton are patriotic enough to subscribe to this program for putting more money into circulation, the least we can do as patriotic Ratonians, is to keep that money circulating here in Raton.—Raton Range.

ANOTHER SUB-DICTATOR

Complaints are reported coming in from every section of the state regarding the unsatisfactory service to New Mexico farmers of President Fields of the Federal Farm Loan bank in Wichita.

It is complained that he delays, refuses and discourages loans to the hard pressed farmers of this state, when the intent of congress was to expedite loans and make them easier, as an emergency relief measure to the farmers.

Complaints, the New Mexican is informed, have frequently been presented to the board in Washington, which merely says that all loans must go through the Wichita bank and the board has no authority over Mr. Fields.

It looks like another case of a sub-dictator with too great powers who doesn't know how to exercise them in harmony with the recovery drive and in the interest of the public.

Unless some attention is given to these complaints and the loans administered in a manner to help New Mexican farmers the matter should be taken up vigorously with the President.—Santa Fe New Mexican.

THE EIGHTEENTH AMENDMENT

On Sept. 19 the state of New Mexico will vote on the repeal of the Eighteenth amendment. It now looks as if the repeal will carry, but—

As the News understands the law, Roosevelt county had local option before the Eighteenth amendment carried and, in that case, local option will continue here, unless this law is repealed by popular vote.

The claim of the wets that the return of liquor will bring prosperity is a myth.

How can prosperity return with the bars down on the sale of intoxicating liquors? How can prosperity return when the money now used for the necessities of life is diverted into liquor channels? How can the hard pressed family enjoy prosperity when the head of the house comes home broke and intoxicated? How can virtue be kept on a high standard with the brain befuddled with intoxication?

It is up to the people on Sept. 19 to keep New Mexico dry, and, in the event the state goes wet, it is up to them to keep Portales and Roosevelt county dry, peaceful and prosperous.

BUY IN AUGUST

A campaign has been started to buy in August to speed up the program of President Roosevelt.

Buying in August means buying it for less. Price levels in every commodity is advancing, and after Sept. 1 there will be a great increase in prices.

Supplies for the printing office already have advanced from 15 to 25 per cent, and the end is not yet. Flour has made a great advance. Shoes, dry goods and hundreds of other commodities are advancing.

Many of the merchants have a large stock bought at a low price level, and are selling it today for less money than the replacement price.

Wages have advanced and hours have been shortened. If the merchants are to survive, business will have to increase. By buying in August, you will help them over the rough roads and enable them to comply with the N. R. A. require-

ments without facing bankruptcy.

By Sept. 1 the new program will be working like a well tried machine, but now is the critical time.

By buying in August you will not only help the merchants but you will effect a great saving to yourselves.

THE 20-MILL LEVY

You will have a chance to vote on the 20-mill levy limitation on Sept. 19. The 20-mill levy limitation would be a fine thing if it was workable, but consider carefully the effect on the schools of the state.

If the 20-mill levy limitation passes, it will be necessary to raise the valuations of real estate to meet the necessary running expenses of the state. A number of tax bills which were defeated by referendum would have provided the necessary funds with this reduction.

With a 20-mill limitation this would cut down the railroads, the corporations and all large taxpayers as well as the small taxpayers.

In considering this measure, study carefully before voting.

N. R. A. NO JOKE

Those who consider the N. R. A. a joke will wake up some morning to find that it has teeth. Everyone should take this movement seriously, and comply with its every provision.

Codes for every line of business will be approved by Sept. 1 and those who display the sign for ulterior motives will be up against a hard proposition.

It has been rumored that here in Portales some consider that this does not apply, claiming that the city is under 2,500 population.

The working of this move is based upon the last census, which gives Portales over 2,500 population, which brings it under the provisions of this act.

Evasions will be checked and the blue eagle will be removed from such business houses.

Every county in the state with the exception of Roosevelt county is organized for the administration of this act, and it is high time that Portales organizes. The object is to create employment and increase the buying power of the public. The more people employed, will create better markets for the farmers' produce, and the farmers will have a greater purchasing power, creating a better business for the merchants.

The President is calling upon the public to patronize only those firms displaying the blue eagle. Loyal citizens will cooperate and do their trading with the business houses in their own community, better enabling them to meet the increased expenses of this act. Going out of town to do your shopping destroys the principles of this act.

The home merchants should carry their message to the public and do their part to make this move a success. Prices will soon be equalized, and there will be no need to go out of town for your needs.

The success of the N. R. A. means your success and, unless you are a loyal supporter of the move, it will be a failure and the nation will go back many years in development.

Back the N. R. A. and the merchants who apply it wholeheartedly.

* East Valley View *

There was a large crowd at Sunday school Sunday. Everyone was glad to see such a crowd. Bro. Riddle of Portales preached.

Miss Nona Grace McFall of Redlake is spending this week with Miss Ina Mae Chapman.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Norton and children, Nila and Wilburn, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Homer Miller.

Dean Mitchell spent Sunday with A. C. Kennedy.

Misses Lennie Aaron, Velta Mae Warren and Neva Blanche Rogers spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Homer Miller.

Misses Myrtle and Ruby Fisher entertained the young people with a party Saturday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Fisher.

Mrs. Gus Norton was able to go to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Homer Miller, Friday. She was anxious to see her new grandson, Kenneth Wade, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Norton, who at present is staying with Mrs. Miller.

Mrs. Calvin Aaron and baby visited Mrs. Gus Norton Tuesday afternoon, also Mrs. Homer Miller and Mrs. J. D. Norton.

Miss Mary Phillips spent Friday with Mrs. Jim Walker. They were entertained during the day by canning corn.

Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Phillips left last Wednesday for San Angelo, Tex. We wish them success there.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Peach spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Aaron.

We are glad to have Mrs. Ida Rogers back with us again after so long a stay with her daughter, who is ill. Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Powers and children, Lois and Carl, left this

week for a trip and to visit Mrs. Powers' father at San Angelo, also his brother. We hate to see them leave our community but we wish for them success and a good time.

Miss Fisher and "Grandmother" Fisher of Tucuman, spent Saturday night and Sunday with Longs and Fishers.

Miss Lennie Aaron spent Wednesday night with Miss Icie Lee Cosby.

Several people of our community enjoyed a dance at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Borwn last Wednesday night.

Guests for dinner at the Tom Aaron home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Aaron and sons, James, Joe, Carl and Frank; A. C. Ken-

nedy, Dean Mitchell and Mary Warren. Miss Myrtle Fisher spent Saturday night with Miss Velta Mae Warren.

Miss Neva Blanche Rogers spent Saturday night with Miss Vesta Lela Sadler.

Mrs. Mary Smith spent Saturday night with her daughter, Mrs. Pearl Williams.

Everyone enjoyed the singing Friday night. Next Friday night will be the last night of the singing school. Everyone come. There will be a pie supper Friday night at the school house. A special program, including guitar, mandolin music, quartets, duets and class singing will be given as the first

part of the program. Everyone come! Girls, bring the best pie you can bake and you boys come with your pockets full of money.

PREDICT SMALLEST CROPS

OF GRAINS IN YEARS NOW

One of the smallest crops of grain harvested in the United States in this century was forecast Thursday by the crop reporting board of the department of agriculture, which attributed the condition to drought damage, through the middle west.

The report, based on Aug. 1 conditions, indicated the second smallest corn crop since 1901, the smallest wheat crop since 1893, and an oats crop about one-half that of last year.



School Starts

September 4th

It is time to think about

CLOTHES

which will stand wear and yet not be too costly.

Trousers

We have just received a full line of Odd Pants in all sizes. Corduroys and All Wool Materials.

\$1.00 to \$5.00

All Wool Sweaters

with sleeves, also sleeveless. In all colors.

\$1.00 to \$2.95

We have a complete line of Shoes, Shirts, Underwear, Hose and all that goes to dress up for school and other occasions.



Fields & Bonner

"The Man's Store"

Personal Assistance

in arrangement of lay-out and design for all kinds of commercial or social printing and selection of stock.

Think It Over!

"Just as Good" won't Build nor hold business

Buyers of printing won't take "just anything" these days. They know what they want, and object to something "just as good" when it isn't.

They know that in mail contacts with their trade and customers superior printing and design creates lasting favorable impressions that more than offset the slight difference in price between the "real thing" and the "just as good" job.

As long as people notice the things that are different, printing will have to be different to gain attention.

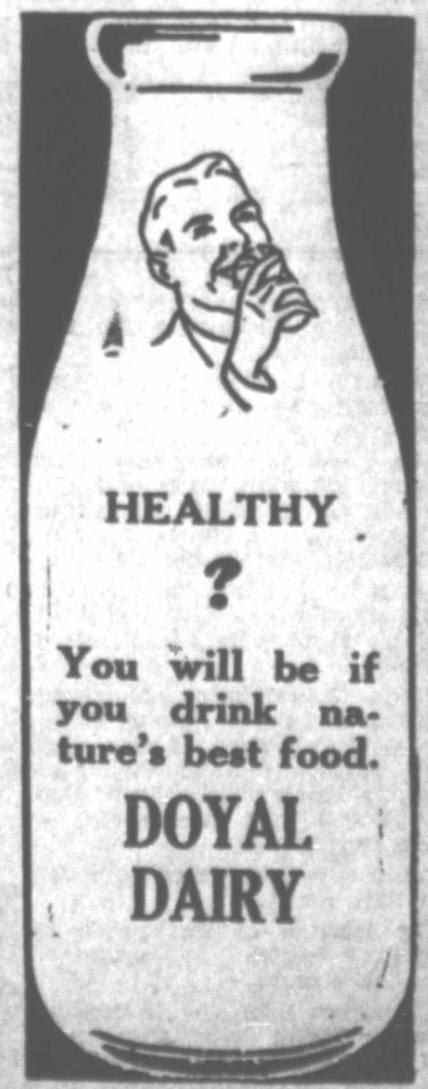
Our printing gets favorable attention because we use different types, distinctive papers, combine them in pleasing ways—and because each order that goes through our plant has the personal interest of each individual who handles it.

Portales Valley News

"Masters of Fine Printing"

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PORTALES, N. M.



FAIRFIELD

(Delayed)
Mrs. Sam Morgan and sisters spent Sunday night and Monday with their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Curry.

D. J. Brown and wife are the proud parents of a son, born Friday. He was named Dee Jay.
The Busy Workers club met with Mrs. G. M. Boddy last Wednesday. The next meeting will be with Mrs. J. W. Bradley.

Miss Gladys Harpold and Miss Margaret Allen are visiting in Portales with Miss Georgia Wolford this week.

There was a large crowd attending the school meeting Monday evening. Almost every one voted to keep our school here.

Visitors in the M. E. Brown home Sunday were William Kleeman and family, Mrs. Grace Curtis and little son, Mr. and Mrs. Pin Curtis and little daughter, Mrs. Lloyd Vaughn and little daughter.

Quite a number of the neighbors gathered in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Boddy Wednesday night to celebrate the birthdays of G. M. Boddy and John Matthews.

A. J. Curry and family are moving back from Big Springs, Tex., where they have lived the last few years.

Miss Opal Matthews, Gladys Harpold and Margaret Allen spent the latter part of last week with Vivian Bradley.

Mrs. Lola Davidson and Miss Georgia Moss spent Wednesday afternoon with home folks.

Mrs. John and Opal Matthews visited Monday with their sister, Mrs. B. L. Harding.

Mrs. E. R. Boddy and Mrs. George Matthews were visitors in the R. A. Boddy home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bradley and Mr. and Mrs. G. Thatcher spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Boone.

Visitors in the Harpold home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Boddy, A. R. Kleeman, wife and little daughter, Muri Allen.

Miss Vivian Bradley spent Sunday with Miss Ruby Thatcher.

A large crowd enjoyed the party in the Weir home Saturday evening.

BETHEL

We had a splendid attendance again Sunday and listened to a splendid duet by Odessa White and Mrs. John V. Miller. In the afternoon the minister of the Presbyterian church of Portales, Rev. Hopper, spoke to a very appreciative audience. The B. Y. P. U. held their regular meeting in the evening with the president, A. C. Woodburn, in charge.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Smith and Naomi Skains of Brownfield, Tex., have been visiting their relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Dodson of Clovis spent a portion of the last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Thetford.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Cribbs spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Olsen Lowe.

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Willis and children are leaving this week for a two weeks vacation in the mountains. Other relatives will join them on their fishing trip.

John Cribbs and Dru Henley of Tolar were visiting in our community last Friday. They say crops and vegetation looks good there.

Geraldine Thetford entertained Bonita Sherman and Imogene Manis Sunday at dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Pearson entertained the following guests Sunday: A. A. Cribbs, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Andes and children of Denver, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Willis and daughter Lucille, Mr. and Mrs. George Thetford and daughter Rowena.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Foster and baby of Berger are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Foster and Mrs. Cox. They are also visiting other relatives.

The Happy Workers club will meet with Birdie Ruth Browne Aug. 23. This will be an all day meeting.

Edna Brown spent Sunday night with Mildred Lowe.

Corinne Kelly was an all night guest of Birdie Ruth Browne Sunday night, and Edna Brown spent Monday night with Birdie Ruth Browne.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Ham were Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Boteler, Mrs. J. T. Creighton, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Creighton, Mrs. Haragan, Mr. and Mrs. Haragan of Floyd.

Mr. Humble of Wheeler county, Texas, is spending a week with his "Uncle Mac" McMillan. He is trying to locate in our community.

Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay Haragan spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Creighton.

Oklahoma Farnum visited Mr. and Mrs. Evert Foster last week.

The following friends were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Brown Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. Chester Wormington and family, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bobo, Mildred Lowe, Corinne, Verla Belle and A. L.

Farm Notes

J. H. Short of the Richland community stated Saturday that the June crops in his part of the country are all O. K. However, the late crops depend on the time the frost comes.

A. J. Hardy was in Portales Saturday looking after business matters. His home is now in Oklahoma.

Virgil Allen stated Monday that the crops in the Midway community were doing fine.

Tom Escue, who lives in the east part of the Rogers country, states that "things are going well considering the drought and the depression." Escue is an old settler of that community.

J. F. Morgan of the Floyd community states that his crop is needing rain. However, he states further that "some of my neighbors have had plenty of good rains this last week."

Elmer Howard is reported as having to work late and early to get rid of some of the weeds that got the start of him while he was planting his late crop.

Donavon Markland of the Upton community was in Portales Saturday and stated that his crop was doing fine. He had a good rain Friday evening; however, the rain did not reach over a mile toward Portales.

A. L. Vick of the Richland community stated Saturday that he had a good rain on his farm Thursday and Friday nights.

Lon Partin stated Saturday that his crop was doing fairly well this year.

Mrs. Ida Deen and Mrs. Melissa Mueller of Conroe, Tex., were visiting in the Z. T. Wise home this week.

G. T. Wise, who is the principal of the St. Vrain school, was in Portales this last week end visiting his aunts, Mrs. Ida Deen and Mrs. Melissa Mueller. Mr. Wise is attending summer school in Las Vegas.

F. R. Meador states that his cows are doing fairly well this summer. He has had to do some managing for grass.

Mrs. Couch of Richland was in town Monday and reports crops good in the Richland community. She says that cotton and corn are especially good. Her daughters, Willie and Winnie, returned this week from an extended visit to Seymour, Tex., and were accompanied by Mrs. Joe Blackburn.

TOMATO FARMERS BENEFIT THROUGH RISE IN PRICES

Another reminder went forth last Thursday that President Roosevelt wants farmers to be benefited by present price levels, despite existence of contracts made some time ago when products sold for less money.

Charles J. Brand, co-administrator of the farm act in Washington, told tomato canning companies that growers should receive 25 per cent more than the average contract made before prices rose. Leading tomato producing states are New York, New Jersey, New

Kelley, Birdie Browne and "Uncle Mac" McMillan.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Rube Anderson and family were Florence Elkins, Mr. and Mrs. Terrell Rector and children, B. F. Miller, Hazel Tucker, Betty Jo Tucker, Mr. Elkins, Anna Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Adams and son John and Robert Cook.

Saturday afternoon Osa Little, Monette and Alice Maness and Irma Traugher went horseback riding to the sand hills. They took their lunch with them and had a fine time. Someone said Irma had rheumatism on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Swaggarty and family have returned to their home in Cameron, Tex., after a pleasant visit in the Elkins and Evert Turnbough homes.

While Orel Boteler was moving his household goods to Artesia the steering wheel of the truck came loose, overturning the truck. Fortunately no one was hurt but some furniture and the truck were badly damaged. It happened on the highway near High Lonesome.

Cecil Jones certainly has a fine well on his place. Mr. White has a large crop of potatoes on the Jones place and he watered fifteen acres Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Elder were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lex Cooper and family. They were celebrating Claude's and Lex's birthdays.

Mr. and Mrs. Rube Anderson and daughter Bernice returned home last week from a pleasant trip to western Oklahoma to see Mrs. Anderson's sister, Mrs. Back, for the first time in nineteen years. Irma Traugher was a dinner guest of Alice Maness Sunday.

Mexico, Ohio, Indiana, Missouri, Delaware, Maryland, Arkansas, Utah, California, Pennsylvania and Virginia.

CONSTIPATED 30 YEARS AIDED BY OLD REMEDY

"For thirty years I had constipation. Scurrying food from stomach choked me. Since taking Adlerika I am a new person. Constipation is a thing of the past."—Alice Burns, New Mexico Drug Co.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Lee and son left Tuesday for a vacation trip in the mountains.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Bickham, Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Bickham and Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Bickham and family, Mr. and Mrs. Howe and Mrs. O. O. Bickham were Hereford visitors Wednesday.

Use Judgment in Choosing Child's School Clothes

Boys and girls work and play at school, therefore, their clothing must be made of materials that are easily cleaned and that will also stand hard wear, says Miss

Dee Maier of the New Mexico State college. The designs for the garments should be chosen carefully in order to give comfort and freedom for unhampered bodily activities, to be attractive, and to offer possibilities for adjusting to rapid changes in size during these growing years.

If the mother is buying new school clothing for her child, she should first consider the garments on hand. The new garments should fit into the needs and color over, when children are growing rapidly, it is wise to provide only a limited number of garments so that they may be worn out by the time they are outgrown.

Children are very sensitive to their clothing, therefore, even though the garments should be kept simple in design, they should be made as attractive as possible. A child who is oddly or unattractively dressed draws the unwanted attention of play and school mates, making him self conscious. A child who is overdressed may become snobbish and affected. Ragged and soiled clothing worn during childhood tends to develop slovenliness in later years.

It is always a question whether it is more economical to purchase children's school clothes ready made or to make them at home. Frequently, many very good bargains may be obtained at special

sales. Much depends on the amount of time the mother can spare for sewing. However, generally speaking, garments made at home will stand longer wear because of better material and better construction. In case such clothing becomes torn or needs remodeling, there are always a few pieces of the material left over with which to work. This is not true of the ready-to-wear garments.

Again, may we remind you that the behavior of your child is influenced by his or her clothing. A decided dislike for school may be the result of some ridiculed garment which he was forced to wear. Therefore, choose your children's school clothing with care.

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New Shades, New Weaves
Many Colors

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LADIES' Oxfords
Just the shoe to give
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Sizes up to 2 only

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Such a bevy of the smartest new things for Fall will delight you. To attempt to describe them here would do them an injustice. The new crowns, new small shapes and smart brims offer you something new and different. Fabrics to go with your costume.

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OUR NEW
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TO
\$3.00

You must use Footwear that is correct to be well dressed.

Pumps Ties
and Straps
FOR FALL WEAR
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Ladies' New Fall Bags

You've seen bags and bags, but nothing like these clever styles featuring "what is new." A smart bag from this range will complete a lovely Fall costume. Featuring black and brown.



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J. P. DEEN PROMOTED

J. P. Deen, who has been working for Armour & Co. at Fort Worth was promoted to the accounting department.

J. P. was in Portales visiting his mother and was called back to this position before his vacation was up.

Portales people are glad to hear of the success of its girls and boys as they leave the home town and go out to make places for themselves.

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THE STUDENT FRATERNITY MURDER

By Milton Propper



chance to get at them; also whether she saw any person about his rooms, acting the least bit suspicious. And Jordan's desk looks as if it had been searched. Find out from the charwoman if she observed anything in connection with that. Probably his shoes and desk were both tampered with at the same time, by the same person."

"All right, Tommy, I've got that all straight," Rankin's colleague nodded.

Another angle of the problem Rankin decided to handle himself as soon as he could. This was the interview with the graduate nurse, then Crawford's companion of Tuesday night, to get her confirmation of his account of himself.

After Gordon left, he conferred with the coroner and Superintendent of Police Walnright about the inquest on Jordan. It was to be held that afternoon, a purely routine affair. It was decided, and little of importance would transpire.

On his return to the central bureau after the consultation, an officer informed him that two gentlemen had called about the crime at the fraternity house.

"One of them said he was from the university, sir," he told Rankin. "I said you would be back shortly. I thought it would be all right for them to wait in Captain Thomas' office."

As it was close upon eleven o'clock, the detective surmised that his visitors must be Mr. Warwick, with Jordan's guardian who had just arrived.

"That was O. K. Simpson," he returned briskly. "I'll see them immediately."

In the office, the supervisor greeted him and presented his companion, a tall, well built, middle-aged man, as Howard Merrick. The lengthy contour of his face was the only likeness to Jordan that Rankin could discern, indicative of their relationship.

He motioned both his callers to chairs. "The journey east must have been rather a strain," he addressed Mr. Merrick sympathetically, and sat down himself. "Did you just arrive, directly from Vandalla this morning?"

"I have been here almost two hours, now," the visitor replied, "after traveling twenty hours. Naturally, I went directly to Mr. Warwick at the university, as it was from him I heard what had happened."

"And I then accompanied Mr. Merrick to the morgue," the supervisor added, "to pay our last respects to the boy. That is where we have come from."

A look of pain tempered Mr. Merrick's stern features. "It is my desire, Mr. Rankin, to have Stuart's remains sent home as soon as possible. I don't want him buried among strangers; he'd prefer, himself, to rest beside his parents. No doubt that can be arranged."

"At your convenience. . . . And now, Mr. Merrick," Rankin went on, "distressing as the subject must be, I will ask you to bear with my questions about the boy, his life and family. In this way can we hope to solve the mystery of his death; and I am counting on your co-operation. First, let me understand your position. You are the boy's guardian, I believe?"

"That's right," the visitor answered soberly. "Mr. Jordan's will appointed me guardian and executor as well. My bank is the trustee of the property, which comes to him under its terms when he reaches . . ." he pursed his tightened lips and corrected himself, "when he would have reached twenty-two. Stuart's late mother was my sister and only immediate relative; and, as Mr. Jordan also had no near kin, he placed the boy's interests in my hands."

"I see," Rankin mused slowly, "you are in the banking business in Vandalla?"

"I am the president of the First Exchange bank. It is a position my father held before me for many years."

"How long has it been since Mr. and Mrs. Jordan died, Mr. Merrick?"

"My sister passed away in the winter of 1922," the guardian informed Rankin. "She was barely thirty-six, and Stuart a boy of twelve. Mr. Jordan followed her

five years later. He was forty-five." For a brief period, the detective was thoughtful. "That makes your nephew twenty-one years old now," he commented presently. "He was an only child?"

"Yes. In fact, we are the only members of our family remaining. I am a bachelor and have no dependents."

Rankin glanced toward Mr. Warwick, silent but attentive, before continuing. "Please tell me about Stuart's parents," he requested, "something about who they were and their life together. I'd like to get an idea of his youth and the character of his home influences."

With his prompting, Mr. Merrick supplied a lucid summary of the environment in which young Jordan grew up. His father, Edward Jordan, had been a self-made man, the son of a mechanic in Vandalla; and he worked strenuously to give Stuart the college education he had lacked. As a rising young architect, his marriage at twenty-seven, to Alice Merrick caused prophetic comment in the town. For she was the daughter of its foremost banker and a great beauty, with opportunity for a more brilliant match. But the union proved harmonious. Until his mother died, Stuart's home life had been normal enough without particular change; and after, he was sent, as Rankin had already learned, to a private school.

Meanwhile, Edward Jordan had reached the peak of his profession. His architectural work was recognized the country over for its symmetry and modernity. So that he became quite wealthy, accumulating property well worth over a quarter of a million dollars. This, coupled with what Mrs. Jordan had left her husband in her own right, brought the value of the estate close to half a million.

"And most of it," Rankin asked at this point in the guardian's account, "Stuart would have inherited on his twenty-second birthday?"

Mr. Merrick's reply held a shadow of doubt. "Well, yes. . . ." he hesitated as if undecided how to explain. "That is, it would probably become his. But not for certain; the bequest held a restriction and whether he received it all or only an income from it depended entirely on himself. To obtain the property at twenty-two, he had to deserve it."

That is, he could not disobey my reasonable orders or do anything while under that age of which, in effect, I would disapprove. At least, that was the gist of the condition; the will constituted me the final judge of his deportment until my trust was ended."

"Can you specify the terms more particularly?" Rankin asked, searchingly.

"As nearly as I remember," the banker compiled carefully, "Stuart was to receive an income of ninety-five hundred dollars a year up to his twenty-second birthday. Any income earned over that amount went back into the bulk of the estate. Then, at twenty-two, the principal of it would be paid over to him, but subject to this limitation: that before that time, he behaved in no way in which, in my opinion, was improper or indicated such a lack of moral restraint or stability of character as to make him unworthy of the legacy. If he violated the clause, he lost the principal though he still retained the income. If I considered him undeserving, I could deprive him of his inheritance by notifying certain officers of my bank to that effect. Of course, I had to act in good faith and not arbitrarily, or he could appeal to the courts to prove I had abused my trust."

"Then these stipulations precluded him from becoming the owner of his father's fortune until his birthday this year?"

Mr. Merrick shook his head. "On the contrary," he contradicted Rankin, "they devised it to Stuart immediately, and it belonged to him as soon as Mr. Jordan died. They only postponed his receipt of it, until he led a decorous life up to twenty-two."

"And after he reached twenty-two, his right was free of all restrictions?" Rankin asked.

"That's right; my power as a trustee came to an end."

And just how soon, Mr. Merrick, would Stuart have become twenty-two?"

"In less than two months. His birthday, I believe, is in May—the sixth."

"Who gets the estate now that the boy died before attaining the age of twenty-two?"

"Obviously his heirs," Mr. Merrick pointed out. "His death makes his ownership absolute; since he can no longer misbehave, it removes the single contingency by which he might lose it. Therefore, it passes to his heirs-at-law, or if he has also made a will, to the beneficiaries named in it."

The detective's eyes narrowed and he spoke in even deliberate tones. "And you are the heir-at-law, Mr. Merrick? If, as you say, he had no other relatives?"

"Yes, as it happens, I am Stuart's nearest of kin." The admission was casual. "It is rather unlikely that at his age, he made a will disposing of it elsewhere."

"Have you any connection with the fraternity your nephew was about to join?"

If the guardian discerned the



"And You Are the Heir-at-Law, Mr. Merrick?"

trend of Rankin's speculations, he gave no sign of perturbation.

"No, Mr. Rankin, nor any other fraternity," he responded coolly. "In my college days at the State university in Iowa, I was never affiliated with one. But then they were not so prevalent as today."

"Are you acquainted with a physician named Arnold Prince?" Rankin asked.

Mr. Merrick knit his brows in concentration. "Dr. Arnold Prince? No, I have never heard of him. Who is he?"

"A member of the Mu Beta Sigma from the chapter at Hawthorne university at Fort Wayne. He seems to have known something of Stuart. The chapter here informs me that he notified it of his presence at Philadelphia; as a loyal alumnus, he recommended Stuart as a prospective candidate. I hoped you could tell me where he gained his knowledge; I thought perhaps he was a friend of your family."

The banker's features brightened, as at a sudden recollection. He nodded.

"What you've just said reminds me that I did meet Doctor Prince once; that might explain the source of his information. He is a St. Louis man, isn't he? He called at my bank some time ago, purely on a matter of business; he requested to see me personally about a loan he hoped to float through us. The venture must have fallen through, for after that interview I heard nothing further of it and he never called again. However, during our conversation, he happened to mention that he had attended Hawthorne; and naturally, I told him I had a nephew studying this year at Philadelphia. I met him only that once; and that meeting was wholly fortuitous."

"Do you remember when Doctor Prince consulted you about this loan proposition?"

"Last year in the fall," Mr. Merrick replied. "The early fall, somewhere about the middle of September."

Rankin granted in accord; according to Ted Stanton, it was in

October that the physician had written the Philadelphia chapter about young Jordan. After a pause, he abruptly focused his inquiry on another subject.

"What caused Stuart to change schools this year? Had he any special reason for wishing to leave Aberdeen at the end of his sophomore year?"

"None that I know of," the banker replied, "beyond an understandable preference to go to a school with a more complete college life. Probably, too, he figured on more freedom farther from home," he finished, with an austere effort at lightness. "In the beginning, I opposed the idea of shifting, but finally I agreed to let him have his way."

"Was Stuart ever guilty of serious misconduct?" Rankin queried. "Anything gross or unprincipled enough to justify the exercise of your authority to deprive him of his inheritance?"

"No, he never caused me the least difficulty—even allowing for youthful follies. He had good training and, if not impeccable, he was decent and honorable."

"Still appearances are often deceptive," Rankin pursued. "You see, Mr. Merrick, I made a peculiar discovery yesterday, while searching his rooms at the dormitory. I found certain stubs of his check books indicating that he was paying regularly to some unknown person, the sum of four hundred dollars a month. Do you know of anything that might explain them?"

Unless Mr. Merrick was a skillful actor, his startled, puzzled expression betokened his ignorance. "Four hundred dollars a month? And there is no record of what these expenditures were for?"

"It almost looks as though there was some secret in his life," Mr. Warwick contributed gravely. "Some incident he wanted concealed. And he was paying someone to keep quiet about it."

The guardian shook his head solemnly. "These expenditures are a total mystery to me," he confessed. "As I said, Stuart's income was ninety-five hundred a year, more than enough to meet even this great drain. So that he never had occasion to approach me for additional funds."

"What about an entanglement with a woman?"

At the suggestion, Mr. Merrick's features grew dark and his eyes flinty. "If he was, it never reached my ears. And if he had it would sustain any measures I chose to take under his father's will." A harsh note crept into his voice. "Stuart was well aware that sexual impropriety was the one misstep I would not countenance."

"Do you know of any reason why anyone might have had animosity against him?"

But here, again, the banker responded negatively. He could not conceive of how his nephew could have excited a hatred so virulent as to be a motive for murder. The name of Buckley was familiar to Mr. Merrick, only because people of that name resided in Vandalla; but he was not acquainted with the family of Ralph. All he could tell of them was that they were middle-class folks, small merchants in the outskirts. He could not say whether the boy had ever displayed interest in any particular girl at school or in the town.

On concluding his inquiries about Jordan's past, the detective ended the interview. Though disappointed at his meager information on a few points, he was satisfied he had covered all the important ground. Before Mr. Warwick and the banker departed, Rankin also questioned the supervisor about the feasibility of Buckley's having gained admission to the university by the fraud Walter Randall had outlined. He did not, however, name the boy about whom he inquired. Mr. Warwick, looking perturbed, conceded that the imposition was possible.

Rankin did not consider he was being unduly distrustful in suspecting Howard Merrick. The situation created by Mr. Jordan's will was too significant to be disregarded, the temptation it produced perhaps too strong for the guardian's probity. In the cold light of reason, it furnished an all-powerful motive for the boy's

murder. For all the detective was aware, Merrick had some urgent desperate need for the estate. And under these equivocal circumstances, the nephew had actually died less than two months before his birthday.

Immediately, however, Rankin was confronted by the problem of Mr. Merrick's opportunity to commit the crime. Each suspect in turn, who was not a member of the Mu Beta Sigma, presented the same problem. If, as Merrick claimed, he had left Vandalla at eleven o'clock the previous morning to come east, he could not have been in Philadelphia the Tuesday night of the murder or be personally responsible for the crime. And an accomplice among those who attended the initiation was improbable. Clearly, Rankin must have Mr. Merrick's journey and his movements the past forty-eight hours investigated.

This was his conclusion when Simpson entered Captain Thomas' office to announce to him another visitor, asking for the officer in charge of the university case.

"Well, bring him in here, Simpson," Rankin instructed, "and let's hear what his business is."

Ushered into his presence, the newcomer was obviously a college man, but slightly older than the average undergraduate. Perhaps twenty-six, thin featured and intelligent, his slender mustache and pin-nez added several more years to his age.

"I am handling this unfortunate affair," the detective introduced himself. "My name is Rankin. What can I do for you, Mr.—?"

"Heyward, Kenneth Heyward," the stranger informed him. "I am a graduate student in the department of chemistry at the college."

"You have some information about this fraternity house murder?" Rankin inquired. "Were you acquainted with Jordan, Mr. Heyward?"

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Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Compton and their nephew Bennie Lee attended the branding at the Jett ranch Thursday. Mrs. Compton reports meeting several interesting women, well known to the News force, and a most delicious noon meal.

Rain at Elida Wednesday

A two inch rain was reported at Elida on Wednesday night. The rain was so heavy that for a while traffic on the highway was handicapped.

A light rain fell in Portales.

LOCAL CITIZENS TOUR NEW MEXICO

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis A. Little and Mr. and Mrs. Allen Sanders had a combination business and pleasure trip last week.

They first went to Santa Fe and attended to their business and then took the drive through the beautiful country from Santa Fe to Eagle Nest lake.

They tried their hand at fishing. Mr. Little states that this was the first fishing he had ever done for trout. He styled himself an amateur.

However, they caught several trout and enjoyed the fishing. The cool weather was as enjoyable as the fishing.

MISS VELMA COONS ENTERTAINS

Mrs. James Goodloe and her sister, Miss Velma Coons, entertained a number of friends Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Bryant at the corner of Main and Kansas streets. A color scheme of yellow was carried out in yellow and green, in decorations and in the ice course. Canned and dahlias were used in profusion to add attractiveness to the living and dining room.

At the close of several progresses Miss Mable Morrison held high and Mrs. J. H. Lee low scores. The guest list included Mesdames Lee, Black, Thomas, Mersefelder, Stone, Cleveland, Cranford, Perry, Christie, Rusha Smith, Leon Slaton, J. D. Turner, Lacy Armstrong, Ike Hughes and Jim Warnica. Mesdames Bess Dohoney, Josephine Goodloe, Naomi McCarty and Mabel Morrison.

The out of town guests were Miss Anna Levick of Winfield, Kas.; Mrs. R. G. Dohoney of Italy, Tex., and Mrs. Bob Patton of Yuma, Ariz.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Hubert Hopper, Minister Sunday school at 10 a. m. The lesson is a character study of Samuel, a prophet of God.

Morning worship at 11 o'clock. The minister's subject is, "The Necessity of Self-Control."

Young people's meeting at 7 p. m. This hour will be in charge of the young people of the First Presbyterian church, Lubbock, Tex. It is rumored that Miss Mary Leidigh will be leader of the program and that a boy's quartet will sing. Miss Leidigh is past president of the El Paso Presbyterian league of young people.

In keeping with other churches of the city, our regular evening worship will be dismissed in order that this congregation may join the mass meeting on the court house lawn at which Rev. Nix of Clovis will speak.

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"No, I was not. But my reason for coming may have some bearing on the crime, though I hope not. The newspapers all say the poison used to kill him was coniine, the juice of hemlock. Coniine is not easy to obtain and it was one of the alkaloids with which I am working. This morning, I measured my supply at the laboratory and discovered that some of it, and some atropine, as well, were missing."

The detective nodded, gratified that the publicity given the name of the poison in the papers had brought the results he hoped it would. "You kept it in the chemistry laboratory at the university?" he asked.

"Yes, for my specific experiments," Heyward replied.

"I see. And for your experiments, you have in your workrooms a quantity of alkaloids, including coniine?"

"Just a little at once. They are seldom used and the department orders them, only when required, a few ounces at a time."

"Could coniine be procured from any other departments in the college, where the handling of chemicals is part of the curriculum?"

"I doubt it, Mr. Rankin," Heyward answered. "That was how I knew anything was wrong in the first place. I compared my stock this morning with my chart of what remained, and ascertained I was shy two grains of atropine and over six drops of the hemlock alkaloid."

"More than sufficient to cause a great deal of damage," Rankin commented grimly. He leaned across Captain Thomas' desk. "From your last check-up, Mr. Heyward, have you any idea what day they disappeared? When did anyone have the opportunity to remove them?"

"I am almost positive I lost them day before yesterday. On Tuesday, I happened to be experimenting with both poisons and I weighed them in the morning before starting. None was missing then; and I made no mistake about the amounts I measured out for my tests. The fact is that during the afternoon, I left the laboratory several times for maybe twenty minutes or more."

The definiteness of the probable date was pleasing; the Tuesday he mentioned was that of the tragedy.

"Couldn't the theft have occurred just as well yesterday, during your absence?"

"No, because the place is always under lock and key," Heyward replied. "Short of breaking in—and there is no sign of that—it is impossible to enter."

"You have the only key to the room in the department?" the detective inquired.

"Oh, no; my adviser, Professor Harris, also owns one," the young man returned quickly. "But he assured me this morning that he lent it to no one and that it was not out of his possession either Tuesday or Wednesday."

Rankin's voice held the grave note which usually accompanied an important inquiry.

"Have you any suspicion of the identity of the culprit? Any reason to believe he was some particular person?"

Heyward shrugged his shoulders carelessly. "I'm afraid not, Mr. Rankin. But almost anyone could have sneaked into the laboratory Tuesday afternoon and taken the poisons."

"Who, for instance, was aware you were dealing with a variety of poisons?"

"Well, Professor Harris of course, and the assistant professor in organic chemistry, Mr. Nichols. The visitor reflected a moment."

"Then outside the department, my roommate in the graduate dorms, Frank Powell, knows of my efforts; he is in the medical school. . . . And yes, so does Ned Patterson," he added.

Rankin remained casual. "You didn't observe Mr. Patterson near your workroom on Tuesday afternoon?"

Beginning a negative nod, Heyward's eyes suddenly widened, as at an unexpected recollection.

"Yes, I did," he exclaimed in evident excitement. "In fact, I remember he was actually in the laboratory itself while I was out, though I didn't think anything of it. About three o'clock, I went downstairs to consult Professor Harris, and stayed with him twenty minutes. When I returned, he was in my room standing by the shelves of chemicals. . . . almost as if he had been meddling with them."

"What excuse did he make for his presence?" Rankin asked, still unmoved.

"He said he had merely stopped in to learn how my research was progressing. And not finding me in, he had been waiting."

Rankin rose to his feet. He was confident he had learned all Heyward could tell him; and he did not wish to raise the train of speculation and suspicion in his visitor's mind that had already begun in his.

"Well, whoever was guilty of the theft," he concluded the interview, "may have left some clue in the laboratory. Perhaps his fingerprints; you might not have destroyed them in handling the bottles he also touched. Anyway, I would like to have our fingerprint expert accompany you back to the university and make an examination of your laboratory. And thank you for coming with this information."

He did not add that one of his first tasks, after the two men had gone, would be to obtain a specimen of Ned Patterson's fingerprints at the fraternity house, and then search for productive, they would be ready for purposes of comparison.

Until he had unmistakably established that the sponsor stole the coniine, it would be premature to suspect him of the crime. In his case, however, there was no doubt of his opportunity to commit it. By his own statement, he had entered the initiation chamber at eight-thirty, having relinquished his position beside Jordan on the excuse of being ill. From the seated line of brothers behind the pledges, he could approach his intended victim more safely to untie his wrists. Particularly was the substitution suspicious in view of his disquiet and anxiety while being interrogated after the tragedy. He had easy access to Jordan's quarters. He could therefore have marked all of his shoes. Rankin was certain that if Patterson killed the boy, he had acted for himself and not to aid Buckley, against whom he had voted as a candidate and whom he obviously disliked. Were they in cahoots, Buckley would not have needed to enter the house at all.

The real obstacle in making out a case against Patterson was that of motive. For ostensibly, he was Jordan's friend; up till Tuesday itself, he appeared to favor the boy, recommending him to membership and guiding him. Otherwise, unless he deliberately masked a long-standing enmity, he would have prevented Stuart from becoming a pledge. It followed then that the cause for hatred, if any existed, was of extremely recent origin. But what could have happened in the past few days to turn esteem abruptly into murderous fear or hostility? Groping for an answer, Rankin recalled the scene he had overheard at the Morton club, when the sponsor explained why he could not pay Carl Walton his gambling debt. Something, he said, had prevented him from obtaining the money both on Tuesday and Wednesday. Was that something the student's murder or, in some fashion, connected with the motive behind it?

Whether or not this supposition was far-fetched, the incident at least revealed Patterson's desperate need of money. And the coincidence of events was remarkable; his need, the theft of the poison and the murder were all developments of the same day, Tuesday. So significant was this sequence that Rankin felt it justified further steps against the sponsor. Besides securing his fingerprints, he ought to search his room and belongings at the fraternity; possibly he might discover some trace of the missing chemicals. For the present, too, he resolved to have Patterson watched and followed. There was always the likelihood that some of his future actions would be incriminating.

Kenneth Heyward's visit did not end the unanticipated occurrences of the day. Scarcely had he gone with the fingerprint expert, when the phone bell rang. The call came from the dormitory office at the university; the detective had no difficulty in recognizing over the wire the deep, slightly crackling tones of Mr. Thorne, the attendant at the college post office. He had phoned to apprise Rankin that he was in possession of a letter for Stuart Jordan.

"I found it just now, on sorting the batch of noon mail," he stated. "I'm holding it for you, sir; and I didn't waste a minute in ringing you."

"That's very good of you, Mr. Thorne," the detective returned. "I'll be out for it this afternoon. Can you tell whether it is a personal letter or not?"

"Well, it looks private, if that's what you mean," Mr. Thorne replied. "It was mailed early yesterday."

"And, Mr. Rankin. . . .," he paused, "I think I ought to tell you there was a lady here today, asking for his mail, too; whether anything had come for him."

Rankin's voice held a note of wonder. "A lady to find out about his letters? What was she like?"

"Quite young, sir—hardly more than twenty-five and very attractive," was the response.

"And precisely when did she stop in to make this inquiry?" the detective queried.

"At about ten, after I'd distributed the first mail which arrived at nine o'clock. She asked kind of anxiously if a letter had come this morning for Mr. Stuart Jordan."

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Clifford Deen took his mother to the hospital at Clovis today, Thursday, for examination. Mrs. Deen has not been well lately.

Mrs. Hester Daniels returned Sunday from a visit of several weeks to relatives and friends in Missouri. Mrs. Daniels is past worthy matron in the Portales chapter and while on her visit had the pleasure of visiting several chapters of this order in company with the grand worthy matron, hearing lectures and attending banquets. Mrs. Daniels also visited in Oklahoma and Arkansas.

Miss Ruth Coons will resume her class in dancing at the Legion Hut Sept. 1.

Jack Walker left Wednesday for Tucuman, where he relieves the manager of the United Stores there while he is away on his vacation. Jack is relief man for the whole United system at present.

Mrs. R. R. Hubbard and daughter Miss Bessie and son Don of Carlsbad are visiting relatives and friends in Portales. Mrs. Hubbard is a sister to John Skinner and Miss Bessie has been a guest of her friend, Miss Netta Belle Batton.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fox and children of Grandfield, Okla., visited with Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Green Wednesday. These people are old acquaintances of the Greens.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Kenyon and children of Amarillo, Tex., spent the week end as guests in the home of Mrs. J. C. Compton.

James Compton accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Byron Perry as far as Amarillo, where he visited friends over the week end.

Mrs. Ethel Clark returned Tuesday to her home in Roswell after a visit to families of her brothers, A. D. and Graham Ribble.

CUCUMBER PICKLES
This is an especially good cucumber pickle, if you like them a little sweet. If you want a sample, ask Mrs. J. W. King for a "bite," for that is where this recipe comes from, and we pass it on to the readers of the News.

Take 75 large cucumbers, 2 gal. water, 2 cups salt; soak 4 or 5 days; take 2 gal. water and dissolve 1 1/2 lbs. alum and boil. Pour over cucumbers while hot and soak 24 hours. Cut up cucumbers and cover with hot water and soak 24 hours. Boil 5 gals. vinegar, 12 cup sugar, 10c of cinnamon bark and 2 boxes celery seed. Pour over cucumbers and let set 24 hrs. (Add one cup sugar each morning before boiling.) Drain off vinegar and boil for 20 minutes for three mornings. The third morning boil cucumbers in vinegar 20 minutes. Pack in stone jar without sealing.

MESDAMES GOLDEN AND BROWN ENTERTAIN
Mrs. Floyd D. Golden and Mrs. C. F. Brown were joint hostesses on Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 at the Golden home and again at 7:30 in the evening.

Calendulas, golden glow and nasturtiums were the flowers used in a motif of gold and green carried out in decorations and in the ice course served after the game of bridge. Miss Elsie Parnell served punch during the game.

In the afternoon Mrs. Christine won high score and Mrs. Lucy Armstrong low. At the evening game Mr. and Mrs. W. W. King each won high score and Mr. Batton and Mrs. Ed J. Neer low.

The afternoon guests were Mesdames E. N. Neer, Spires, Watson, Ribble, Armstrong, Christie, J. D. Turner, Camp, Sidney Stone, Wollard, Hensley, E. L. Wright, C. M. Compton, Buchanan, Rawlins, I. D. Johnson, Greaves, Mears, Mrs. Marion Stinnett, Maude Smith and Miss Kate McManaway.

The evening guests were Messrs. and Mesdames Hughes, J. C. Compton, Mears, W. W. King, Batton, Ed J. Neer, Steiner Whitcomb, R. G. Dohoney, Miss Bess Dohoney and Miss Kate McManaway.

JE. WOMAN'S CLUB
The members of the Jr. Woman's club met for an all day meeting at the Woman's club building Wednesday. Each young lady brought a covered dish.

During the morning hours they enjoyed bridge, at noon lunch was served.

In the afternoon the regular meeting was held.

Mrs. Leroy Cranford is president and the leader for the afternoon was Miss Nadine Morris, the subject being, "Noted Women of Today."

The Jr. Woman's club has been organized less than a year. Their have held their meetings regularly and have had good programs. There are, among this group, some real club women in the making.

W. M. S.
The W. M. S. of the Baptist church met at 2:30 at the church Wednesday for a study of the book, "The Word of Their Testimony," a mission study book which Mrs. Chapman is teaching.

Today, Thursday, the ladies will take a covered dish to the church and spend the day studying.

The Intermediate group No. 1 of the B. Y. P. U. met for a social time Tuesday night at the annex.

Mesdames A. F. McAdoo of Houston, Mrs. Flake Burke and Mrs. Hamilton were in charge and directed the games. These young people had a great time.

DANCING PARTY
Miss Dorothy Hall and Miss Margaret Adams entertained with a dance at the laundry building Friday night. Mr. and Mrs. Wat Stewart were chaperons. John Melner's orchestra furnished the music.

ARM BROKEN IN FALL

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Evans, who live three miles south of Dora, had their little son in Portales to consult one of the physicians about the child's arm, which was broken last week. The arm is getting well. The little fellow fell from a horse and the broken arm is one of the results of the fall.

Mrs. T. B. Sewell arrived Tuesday of last week from Afton, Okla., for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Watts.

John Plummer visited his old friend Ed C. Gallagher at Lubbock, Tex., this week. Gallagher is the state athletic instructor for Oklahoma, and his headquarters are in Stillwater.

Plummer and Gallagher started for the Oklahoma A. & M. in 1906. Gallagher made a record in athletics, especially in the sprints.

He specializes in wrestling. He has trained twenty-five wrestlers who have won distinction on the mat. He trained fourteen for the Olympics.

SPRAINS ANKLE
CHASING RABBITS
Owen Tollett of Clovis has been visiting his father, "Uncle Sam" Tollett of Inez community.

From all accounts it seems that Owen has forgotten some of his boyhood training in securing fresh meat. He was in Portales Tuesday with a special tackle that was a result of a rabbit chase.

The best report that can be obtained is that he had the rabbit going around a bush. Suddenly the rabbit turned. In Owen's attempt to make a quick turn, he sprained his ankle.

He reports that rabbits in his father's farm are a little harder to catch than usual. This condition was blamed to the drought and the depression.

RIDINGS OIL TRUCK BURNED
Tuesday night this side of Roswell the Ridings oil truck was destroyed by fire.

How the fire started is not known. Paul Ridings was driving the truck.

MRS. DAVENPORT AT HOME
Mrs. H. G. Davenport was at home at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon honoring her friend and house guest, Mrs. O. B. Denney of Ranger, Tex. The house was beautiful with its numerous bouquets of golden glow and other yellow flowers.

Bridge was the diversion of the afternoon and Miss Kate McManaway won high score and Mrs. Mears low. Mrs. Davenport served a delicious yellow salad course after the game to the following ladies: Mrs. T. E. Mears, Mrs. W. W. King, Mrs. Sam Batton, Mrs. William LeMaster, Mrs. O. B. Denney, Miss Kate McManaway, Mrs. Randolph and Mrs. Carr.

PICNIC AT WHEELERS
Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Wheeler entertained Monday evening at their home with a picnic spread.

This group of friends spend many happy hours together, all being friends of several years.

Those enjoying the Wheeler hospitality at this time were: Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Payne and Mrs. Payne's mother, Mrs. Hill, and daughter Miss Charles of Port Worth, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Freeman, Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Harris, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McDonald and son Harold, Mother Howard, and Dr. and Mrs. Howard McDonald.

JE. WOMAN'S CLUB OFFICERS
The Jr. Woman's club officers elected at the meeting Wednesday were Mrs. Leroy Cranford, president; Miss McCune Walton, vice president; Miss Edith Wheeler, secretary; Miss Virginia Kessler, treasurer; Miss Rosamond Deen, press reporter. Mrs. Byron Perry, past president, was present at this meeting.

Miss Marjorieleanna Mersfelder gave a tap dance. Miss Edith Wheeler sang, "Sweet Mother O' Mine," and Miss Willie Vale Oldham a piano solo, "Moon Moth."

COFFEE CLUB
Mrs. H. W. Davidson was hostess on Thursday afternoon at 3:30 at her home on Main street to the members of the Coffee club and two guests, Mrs. William LeMaster and Miss Velma Coons.

At the close of the bridge game Mrs. Sam Mersfelder held high score for members and Mrs. LeMaster high for guests, with Mrs. Luther Thomas low.

After this the tables were cleared and Mrs. Davidson announced the surprise of the evening was no refreshments and that the hour of departure had arrived. Just then the door opened and the husbands of the members and the following guests arrived: Dr. William LeMaster, Horace Echols, Mrs. Esther Cleveland, Mrs. Lurline Morrison and Mr. and Mrs. Patton.

The hostess then served a plate lunch. An abundance of lovely flowers added to the pleasures of the party.

TEA AT PRIDDY HOME
Mrs. J. B. Priddy and Mrs. Esther Cleveland were at home with a tea at the Priddy home Wednesday evening from 4 to 6 o'clock, honoring Mrs. Priddy's sister, Mrs. J. P. McDonald of Bovina, Tex.; Mrs. Cleveland's sister, Mrs. Robert Patton of Yuma, Ariz. and Mrs. Tinsley's sister, Mrs. Underwood, of Elmore City, Okla.

The tea table was laid with lace cloth over pink and the punch bowl was surrounded with pink dahlias and verbenas.

Those assisting in serving were Mrs. Carl Yochum, Mrs. Willie Vale Oldham, Miss Cornelia Hunter and Miss Josephine Goodloe.

About eighty ladies called during the hours.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

The Methodist church sponsored an old fashioned ice cream social Tuesday evening on the lawn between the church and parsonage. Home made ice cream and cake were the sale, and the older people visited while the children played on the lawn. It was a merry occasion.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT
Arthur Lloyd Littlefield, aged 16, and Raymond Likely, aged 15, pleaded guilty to a theft charge in justice of the peace court last Friday.

Monday morning they were brought before District Judge Harry Patton. They were sentenced to the reform school at Springer until they become 21 years old.

Monday O. Z. Bostick pleaded guilty to a charge of assault on Sheriff J. H. Bond.

District Judge Patton fined Bostick \$50 and costs and sentenced him to one year in the penitentiary at Santa Fe. The penitentiary sentence was suspended on good behavior and provided that Bostick would leave the state indefinitely.

Sheriff Bond and Constable Aaron Griffin left Tuesday morning for Springer with Littlefield and Likely.

PERSONAL ITEMS
Mrs. W. T. Underwood of Elmore City, Okla., is visiting in the home of her sister, Mrs. J. A. Tinsley, and her daughter, Mrs. Fred Thornton, of Dora.

Maurine and Ralph, the daughter and son of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. White of Melrose, had their tonsils removed by one of the local physicians the last of last week.

Mrs. T. W. Harris and daughter, Miss Lillian, and son, Jim Mike, of Turley, Tex., returned home Tuesday after a visit to Mrs. Harris' sisters, Mrs. J. P. Deen and Mrs. Harry Buchanan.

Rev. and Mrs. Owen W. Still and children spent the day in the home of Rev. and Mrs. Claude Lorts Tuesday. Rev. Still is the pastor of the First Christian church of Clovis.

Mr. and Mrs. Coe Howard returned Tuesday evening from a trip which included Santa Fe, Las Vegas and other points in the state. Mr. Howard is planning exhibits for the Tri-State Fair.

Fritz Staub, who lives ten miles south of Portales, stated yesterday that he has a good late crop. The maturity of his crop depends altogether on the frost, he stated.

A. A. Cribbs, who lives in the Benson community, stated yesterday that his corn was needing rain to make it fully mature. He stated that from his farm it appeared there was a rain in south of Melrose.

John Ford, whose farm is near the edge of town, is reported ill with a fever. The physician is not ready to announce the exact nature of the fever at the present time.

Mary Ann Brown, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Brown, who live about four miles south of Portales, had her tonsils removed Wednesday morning. She is doing fine at this time.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. John Music had his appendix removed in the Clovis hospital yesterday morning. He was resting all right yesterday afternoon.

O. F. Rowland was in Portales this week purchasing a car for him and his family. Rowland is one of the farmers who lives east of Portales.

Cecil Cooper was in Portales this week on business. He had the misfortune of being in a car wreck last week. He received several bruises but is able to be up and about his business.

O. M. Sparks, who is in the automobile business in Roswell, was a Portales visitor Tuesday.

Zenas Cook and Bob Scott were visiting Wayne Stratton the first of the week. These young men were friends of Stratton in college this summer.

R. O. Senn of Phillipsburg, Mo., has been secured as the bookkeeper at the canning factory this season.

E. F. Gilman of the Hiway community was a Portales visitor this week. He is one of the old settlers of this county.

Miss Lucy Stinnett, who attended the University of Colorado this summer, returned Friday evening. She also visited the World's Fair at Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Stinnett left yesterday at noon to visit Mrs. Stinnett's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Asa Green of Artesia.

Mrs. and Mrs. Orville Stalen moved this week to the Cleveland apartments.

Miss Juanita Longacre of Okla. home City came Wednesday for a visit with Mrs. Fred Bridges of Dora.

Mrs. Willis Breshears and little daughter, Willa Fay, returned to their home in Portales Wednesday morning. The little lady arrived at the hospital in Clovis last Wednesday, Aug. 9, and weighed 7 1/2 pounds.

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Information on the 20-Mill Levy

The much discussed referendum bill for a 20-mill limitation on real estate taxes, has been much misinterpreted, and, in the opinion of many, would close the schools of the state.

Chapter 30 of the 1933 laws of the state of New Mexico provides:

Sec. 1.—Hereafter all real property subject to assessment and valuation by the assessors of the different counties, including grazing lands, the value of which is fixed by the state tax commission, shall be appraised and valued for purposes of taxation once every four years, the first of such valuations to be in the year 1934, the next in 1938, and thereafter each four years.

Sec. 2.—All such property shall be assessed and valued at actual market value in the manner and by the authority as now provided by law, except that the value of all such property as finally fixed in the year 1934, and each succeeding fourth year thereafter shall be final and binding on all taxing authorities and all owners of such property for four successive tax years except as to right of appeal. Actual market value of property is hereby determined and fixed at that price or worth represented by the amount of money, or its equivalent, which would be received therefor at a normal sale in or at a normal market.

Sec. 3.—Each of the three years following any year in which its value is fixed, the assessor shall add to the value of all real property the actual value of any or all improvements which may be placed thereon during the preceding year and shall deduct from such value the value of all improvements which may have been destroyed or removed during the preceding year.

Sec. 4.—Whenever any real property is patented or in any other manner becomes subject to taxation, the same shall be added to the roll for the next year following date of patent and its value fixed and determined in the same manner as other real property. Which value when so fixed shall be final and binding on all taxing authorities and all owners of such property until the next year in which general real property values are fixed.

Sec. 5.—When any real property is found to have been omitted from the roll of any year in which real property values were fixed, its value shall be fixed and determined in the same manner as other real property. Which value when so fixed shall be final and binding on all taxing authorities and all owners of such property until the next year in which general real property values are fixed; and such omitted property so valued shall be listed for the number of years omitted and in manner as provided by law.

Sec. 6.—In fixing the value of real property under the provisions of this act all taxing authorities shall fix the same as near as may be at the actual market value for the period for which such value is fixed.

Sec. 7.—Whenever any tract or parcel of land, the value of which has been fixed and determined, as herein provided, is divided and different portions thereof become the property of different owners, the assessor shall apportion the total value thereof fixed for the whole tract to the parts or portions thereof into which it has been divided so that the value of the whole shall equal the value thereof theretofore fixed and determined. Any person dissatisfied with such apportionment shall have the right of appeal to the County Board of Equalization, and the state tax commission, to be exercised in the same manner as appeals in the case of contests over valuation of property, but in such case the sole question shall be the correctness of the apportionment of the total value of the divided tract, and in no case shall the total value fixed and determined be disturbed or changed; and in cases of such appeals the owner or owners of the other portions of the divided tract shall be given five days notice thereof by regular mail, and when so notified shall be entitled to be heard and shall be bound by the final

ELIDA

J. E. Beeman made a flying trip to El Paso last Wednesday and returned Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Carruth and children, Mary Frances, Billie and R. E., from Delton, Tex., are visiting Mrs. Carruth's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Grimshaw.

Mr. and Mrs. N. B. O'Neal and daughter, Emma Lee, and son Walter, were shopping in Portales Saturday and having some dental work done.

Carlton Carmichael is sporting a new V-8 Ford he purchased in Portales last week.

Frankie Davis was in Elida last Wednesday morning on his way to Las Cruces.

George Grimshaw and sister, Emma Mae, and nieces, Mary Frances Carruth and Tommy Sue Bridges, and nephew, Junior Bridges, were business visitors in Roswell last week.

Mrs. Acker and son Kay and Mrs. B. W. Webb and grandson Tommy Ray left Tuesday night for Cross Plains, Tex., where they were called on the death of Mrs. Acker's brother-in-law, Gene Atwood.

Junior and Alvin Click left the first of last week for a visit with their grandmother, Mrs. Click, in Amarillo.

George Littlefield is sporting a new car he bought last week.

Walter O'Neal entertained a few of his friends with a party Saturday night. Those present were: Misses Vera Davis, May Dell Craig,

decision of such appeal. In hearing such appeals, the county board of equalization and the state tax commission shall have the power to either disallow the same or in the event of the allowance thereof shall make a new apportionment so that the total value of the whole tract under consideration shall equal the value as theretofore fixed.

From the above law it will be seen that even should the 20-mill tax limit law be passed it will not affect the assessments made this year, but will apply on 1934 assessments, and, in event that property is assessed at true value, those favoring this law claim that it will, under the increased valuations, raise sufficient revenue for all purposes.

However, this is for the voters to decide on the 19th of September.

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MARVIN HOLLS

Funeral services were held Monday for Marvin Hollis, the little 7 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hollis, who lives northwest of Portales.

The little fellow had been suffering from a spinal trouble for some time. He had been placed in the Clovis hospital for special medical aid and care.

Interment was made in the Portales cemetery.

Clara Roberson, Neva Cannon, Pauline Roberson, Eva Cannon, Zelma Davis and Emma Lee O'Neal.

Jerry McKee, Raymond Butler, Joy Hollingsworth, John Wesley Roberson, Elmer Prewitt, John Slack, T. R. Allen, Temple Rogers, Carlton Carmichael, Herman Corbitt, Floyd Miller, Alvin Stevenson, Clinton Craig, Buster Dixon, Norval Miller and Cleo Corbitt.

Mrs. Sam Slack and Mrs. O. R. Roberson. At a late hour ice cream was served to the guests. Everyone had a nice time.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Grimshaw of Corona are visiting relatives in Elida this week.

Jones Akins left Monday to work on a farm near Clovis.

Lella and Lewis Cooper entertained a few friends with a party Saturday night. Those present were: Misses Anita French, Jessie Madge Gibson, Abba Lee French, Vera Goodwin and Ruth Carmichael.

Messrs. Sylvia Webb, Warren Butler, Clifford Stevenson, Josh Stroud, Allen Webb French and Ralph Stevenson. Ice cream and cake was served at a late hour. All enjoyed the evening.

Lucille Bird left Tuesday for Phoenix, Ariz., where she is taking nurse training.

Wiley Todd was in town Monday, having some work done on his truck, getting it ready for school.

Mrs. Kuykendall and Mrs. Jessie Freeman were shopping in Portales Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank French and children of Frederick, Okla., are visiting Mr. French's brothers, N. H. and A. L. French, and families.

Mrs. Lester Watson of Clovis is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Z. McKee.

PEP & HIWAY

An attendance of forty-seven was present at Sunday school Sunday morning.

Bro. Gresham closed his meeting Sunday night.

There was a large crowd out to the young people's meeting Sunday night. The subject was, "What the Poets Say About God." Mrs. Harold Radcliff was leader.

Mrs. Cullen Hightower is leader of the young people's meeting for next Sunday night. The subject is, "Worshipping God Out of Doors." Everybody come, as this is an interesting subject.

Saturday night, Aug. 19, the B. Y. P. U. is giving a social. Members only are invited.

Miss Inola Reynolds motored to Plainview, Tex., with her uncle, Bill Bond, last Sunday, where she will visit with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Beeman and baby, and Mr. and Mrs. Hobbs of Kansas City left early Saturday morning for Kansas City, and other points in Missouri. They have been visiting with Mr. Beeman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Beeman of Hiway.

Ola Beeman returned to Kansas City with her brother, where she will visit at that place for awhile.

A group of friends and neighbors gathered at the Herbert Fulton place last Wednesday, where a branding took place. Roy Radcliff has his cattle pastured at that place. To make it more convenient the cowboys rounded the cattle in Mr. Fulton's corral and the great round-up took place. The bountiful dinner was spread out of doors on the green grass. A wonderful time was reported by all.

The Pep Store company did a splendid business Saturday. An 18-qt. pressure cooker was given away. Bill Polk was the lucky recipient. Three big buckets of coffee also was given away and smaller packages of Pep's Special coffee were distributed. Everyone is interested in the big bargain.

Another pressure cooker will be given away Aug. 26. Pep is a busy place Saturday. Everybody come and

see what it's all about.

Walker McAfee spent Saturday night with Harold Radcliff.

Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Bond of Crossroads are visiting in the Goates home this week end.

Misses Frieda Wilson and Zell Brown spent Sunday evening with Miss Annie Capps.

Cullen Hightower's brother is visiting in the Hightower home.

Miss Ethel Radcliff and Laverne Nicholas of Las Cruces and Frances Hodges of Dora, Ernest Nickles of Las Cruces were guests in the Harold Radcliff home Thursday night.

Several from our community motored to Portales Saturday.

The Hiway Homemakers club met in the C. S. Roberson home Tuesday, Aug. 15. A good time was enjoyed.

Miss Flora Hightower spent several days visiting with Miss Frieda Wilson.

Miss Ola Beeman spent Thursday night with Annie Capps.

Florence Faye Radcliff spent a few days last week with her cousin, Miss Mary Nan Lambirth, of Elida.

HOBBOES ADOPT CODE; FIX HOURS AND PAY

The silver anniversary convention of the Hobboes of America convened in Chicago Sunday night and lost no time in adopting the 'boes code of fair practices, says an Associated Press dispatch. The code provides:

Hobboes will not wash dishes in a restaurant or work otherwise in a restaurant for a meal. No real hobo ever took a job away from a man with a wife and children.

Pay for cleaning snow and ice off sidewalks shall be no more and no less than 50 cents an hour. Pay for shoveling coal shall be 50 cents an hour.

Cleaning windows shall be worth 50 cents an hour or 10 cents for each window.

'Boes may chop wood on farms in exchange for a bed in the barn or a meal, but they shall not chop all day just for this, because it would compare to coolie labor.

Jack Kirksey of the Arch community says the cotton on his mother's farm is about waist high.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hammon

spent last week in Vernon, Tex., visiting their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Sweat of Hagerman were guests of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Mann.

Mrs. W. A. Turner returned Monday from Amarillo, where she had visited Mr. and Mrs. Lester Turner.

Vincent Cox, A. F. Jones Jr., Floyd Raymond and Truman Green went to Lubbock Wednesday. All were considering attending Tech.

Legal Notices

NOTICE OF EXECUTRIX

No. 567
In the Probate Court of Roosevelt Co., N. M. In the Matter of the Estate of C. E. Venable, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned was on Aug. 14, 1933, duly appointed executrix of the estate of C. E. Venable, deceased, by the Probate Court of Roosevelt Co., N. M., and having duly qualified as such, therefore, all persons having claims against said estate of said deceased, are hereby notified and required to present the same to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. Dated this Aug. 15, 1933.

EVA G. VENABLE, Executrix.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that I, Mildred A. Drach, was on the 24th day of July, 1933, appointed Ancillary Administratrix over the estate of Peter Schniders, deceased, by the Probate Court of Roosevelt County, New Mexico.

Therefore, Any and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to file and present the same in the manner and within the time required by law, or the same will be forever barred.

MILDRED A. DRACH, Ancillary Administratrix.

Aug. 24-JOC

NOTICE OF CHATTEL MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Notice is hereby given that default has occurred in the conditions of that certain mortgage, dated the 1st day of August, 1931, wherein W. H. Shipp and R. J. Shipp, is mortgagor and JOHN DEERE PLOW COMPANY is mortgagee, by reason of the failure of the said mortgagor to pay the debt secured thereby, and that there is now due and unpaid on said indebtedness the sum of \$650.

And you are further notified that the property described in said mortgage, as follows:

One John Deere Model D Tractor, Serial No. 71183, or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy the mortgage, will be sold on Friday, the 25th day of August, 1933, at the hour of 2 o'clock in the afternoon at Portales, County of Roosevelt, New Mexico, at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash, to satisfy the debt secured by said mortgage, and the costs and expense of and growing out of these foreclosure proceedings.

Dated at Portales, New Mexico, this 26th day of July, 1933.

JOHN DEERE PLOW COMPANY, Kansas City, Mo.

By B. B. Odell, Mortgagee.

LEGAL NOTICE

State of New Mexico, County of Roosevelt. In the District Court. No. 2830.

J. R. Hatfield, Plaintiff, vs. M. J. Ware, D. W. Ware and J. B. Colt Company, a corporation, Defendants.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a decree foreclosing a certain mortgage deed entered in the above entitled cause May 23rd, 1933, in favor of plaintiff and against the defendants, the undersigned Special Master will, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. on Aug. 22nd, 1933, at the NE front door of the county court house of Roosevelt County, N. M., sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, that real estate situated in Roosevelt County, N. M., described as follows: "All of Block forty in the Benson Addition to the town (now city) of Portales, New Mexico, with all improvements thereon."

This sale being made to satisfy certain adjudged indebtedness, amounting to the aggregate sum of \$946.77, at date of sale, and costs of suit and this sale to be taxed.

W. H. GARRETT, Special Master.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, General Land Office at Santa Fe, N. M., Aug. 2, 1933.

Notice is hereby given that Bernette Lewis, of Box 1044, Portales, N. M., who, on Apr. 18, 1931 and Dec. 16, 1932, made homestead entries Nos. 063918-066434, for Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, Sec. 6 and NW¼ Sec. 30 and lots 1, 2, 3, 4 Sec. 5 and lots 11, 12 Sec. 4, E¼NW¼, W¼NE¼, Section 17, Township 1 South, Range 29 East, N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before U. S. Commissioner, at Portales, N. M., on the 14th day of September, 1933.

Claimant names as witnesses: Walter Martin, of Elida, N. M. George Hammett, of Portales, N. M. Virgil P. Dickerson, of Doreno, N. M. Joe Bush, of Portales, N. M.

M. F. MIERA, Register.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, General Land Office at Santa Fe, N. M., July 17, 1933.

Notice is hereby given that Alfred J. Cothern of Route 1, Portales, N. M., who, on October 5 and November 19, 1928, made homestead entries Nos. 067888 and 068310, for NW¼ Section 25 and NE¼ Section 30, Township 1 North, Range 33 East, N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before U. S. Commissioner, at Portales, N. M., on the 29th day of August, 1933.

Claimant names as witnesses: Gilbert Schooling, of St. Vrain, N. M. Ben Miller, of Portales, N. M. Walter Cox, of Portales, N. M. Clay Jones, of Portales, N. M.

M. F. MIERA, Register.

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Society and Club News

HONORING MRS. E. G. DOHONEY

Mrs. James D. Turner was hostess Saturday morning at 8 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Turner, honoring Mrs. E. G. Dohoney of Italy, Tex., who is visiting relatives in Portales.

The guests were seated at one large table and one small table. The tables were centered with low bowls of verbenia and, with dainty place cards, snowy cloth, china and silver, made a beautiful picture.

Mrs. C. S. Turner, Mrs. J. G. Cox and Mrs. S. N. Hancock assisted Mrs. Turner in serving the delicious two course breakfast, after which the guests who play bridge went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Turner and enjoyed that game.

R. G. Dohoney, who is an expert on Culbertson's method of contract, very graciously gave the ladies some valuable instruction in contract bridge.

Those who played were Mrs. Ray Snelson, Mrs. William LeMaster, Mrs. W. W. King, Mrs. S. H. Balton, Mrs. H. H. Buchanan, Mrs. E. N. Neer, Mrs. I. D. Johnson, Mrs. Rusha Smith, and the honoree, Mrs. R. G. Dohoney, and Mrs. J. C. Compton and Mrs. E. L. Wright. The breakfast guests also were R. G. Dohoney, Miss Pearl Stone and Miss Bess Dohoney, Mrs. Carl S. Turner, Mrs. S. H. Hancock and Mrs. J. G. Cox.

PRESBYTERIAN AUXILIARY

The ladies auxiliary of the Presbyterian church met Tuesday with Mrs. Jim Taylor, four miles east of Portales. Mrs. McDonald led the devotional exercises.

The guests present were Mrs. Bourland Sr. of Canyon, Tex.; Mr. Taylor's sisters, Mrs. Bourland of Portales and Mrs. G. W. Atkins. After the meeting adjourned a delicious home-made ice cream was served by the hostess and daughter, Mrs. Jim Taylor and Mrs. Richard Dooley.

The auxiliary will meet again with Mrs. L. J. Wilson Aug. 22, at 2:30 p. m., and will study Psalms 42 to 55, inclusive. Every member is urged to be present.

DAVENPORT VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Denney of Ranger, Tex., came in Friday for a few days' visit to Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Davenport. Mrs. Denney is a teacher in the Ranger schools and president of the New Era Federated club at that place.

MISS DOHONEY AT HOME

Miss Bess Dohoney was at home at her home on Liberty Street Saturday night honoring her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Dohoney of Italy, Tex.

The evening meal was served buffet style to Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Dohoney, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Crissom and Mrs. J. D. Turner, Mrs. Reed Murrell and two sons.

SURPRISE FOR MRS. GRISSOM

Mrs. Mell Grissom has been a bride for several months but has been away from Portales most of the time. Last week she and her husband were visiting relatives in Portales over the week end and some of her friends planned a surprise shower for her.

Miss Estelle Johnson and Miss Juanita Hancock took the lead and plans were made for Mr. and Mrs. Grissom to come by the Hancock home about 7 o'clock Saturday evening to go to the show. When they arrived and the lights flashed on the living room and dining room were full of friends. A lovely tea table was spread with lace cloth and a flower banked punch bowl. Mrs. Grissom was quite surprised. She was asked to be seated under a beautiful white wedding veil and numerous prettily wrapped packages were handed her. When these were opened lovely gifts of china, linen, silver and pewter, all dear to the heart of the bride, met her eye.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Bickham left for their home in Dallas Friday.

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WYNEMA WHITCOMB HOSTESS

Miss Wynema Whitcomb was hostess to a few of her girl friends on Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Whitcomb. The girls went to Sunday school together, then ate dinner at noon with Wynema, and in the afternoon attended the show. Altogether it was a pleasant day.

The guests were Miss Jean Sweet of Italy, Tex., in whose honor the dinner was given; Miss Nettie Belle Batton, Miss Bessie Hubbard of Carlsbad, Miss Ottis Belle Lovorn and Miss Ruth LeMaster.

MRS. HANCOCK AT HOME

Mrs. S. N. Hancock was at home Sunday at her home on Nevada street with a dinner at noon honoring Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Dohoney of Italy, Tex.

Those enjoying Mrs. Hancock's hospitality, beside the immediate family, were Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Dohoney and son Bobby, Mrs. Reed Murrell and two sons, Mr. and Mrs. Mell Grissom and Miss Pearl Stone.

MRS. HARP, HOSTESS

Mrs. Elmer Harp entertained Thursday with three tables of bridge at the home of her mother, Mrs. Willis Slaton, Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Orvel Slaton won high score and Mrs. Homer Barnett low. Mrs. Lewis Smith received the traveling prize.

After the game an iced course was served. The tables were covered with organdie lunch cloths in pastel shades. Each table held a bouquet of summer flowers matching the lunch cloths. Favors of flowers were on each plate.

Those attending the party were Mrs. Orvel Slaton, Mrs. Lewis Smith, Mrs. Homer Barnett, Mrs. Leon Slaton, Mrs. Leroy Cranford, Mrs. Harry Cissell, Mrs. Bill Moodyman, Mrs. Paul Ridings, Mrs. Steve Deen and Misses Mary Alice and McKenna Walton, and Miss Anna Levick of Winfield, Kas.

WATERMELON FEAST

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Cranford were host and hostess Saturday evening to a few friends with a watermelon feast. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Byron Perry, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Slaton, Miss Anna Levick, Miss Mary Alice Walton and Kenneth Jones and Eldridge Meers.

KINGS AT HOME

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. King were at home Sunday for the noon meal to a number of friends with a two course dinner.

The guests were seated at two long tables which were decorated with flowers and loaded with good things to eat.

Those enjoying the King hospitality were: Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Minick, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Turner, Mrs. Reed Murrell and two sons.

BOX SUPPER AT BETHEL

FRIDAY NIGHT, AUG. 25

Box supper and program will be given by the 4-H club girls of Bethel community at the Bethel church on Friday night, Aug. 25.

The program will consist of songs, readings, drama, a play and musical numbers.

Everyone is invited to hear the program and bring a box.

NEWS WANTADS OET RESULTS

Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Watson were at home Sunday at noon with a family dinner.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Stinnett of De Moines, N. M.; Miss Lucy Stinnett of Fort Sumner, and Mr. and Mrs. Marion Stinnett.

Miss Mary Robertson went to Clovis Sunday for a few days visit with friends.

SURPRISE FOR DR. LEMASTER

Friday was Dr. Lemaster's birthday and his wife planned a surprise birthday dinner. Mrs. Carr made an appointment with the doctor for dental work at 6 in the afternoon. His wife called for him a few minutes before 7, telling him he must hurry and get ready for a party at Mr. and Mrs. Davenport's, their next door neighbors. When they reached the Lemaster home it was all dark, but just as the doctor opened the front door some one turned on lights, and there sat a number of friends. The doctor admits he was surprised.

The home was made beautiful with bouquets of golden glow, roses and zinnias.

At 7 o'clock Mrs. LeMaster, assisted by Miss Ruth McKone and Miss Ruth LeMaster, served a delicious chicken dinner to the following:

Dr. and Mrs. N. F. Wollard, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Compton, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Davenport, Mr. and Mrs. Denney of Ranger, Tex., Mr. and Mrs. W. W. King, Mr. and Mrs. Ed J. Neer, Mrs. T. E. Meers, Miss Kate McManaway, Mrs. James Christie, Mrs. Rusha Smith, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Carr and Bert Rawlins.

After dinner the party enjoyed bridge. Miss Kate McManaway and Mr. Rawlins holding high score and Dr. Wollard and Mrs. Rusha Smith low.

HAPPY WORKERS 4-H CLUB

The Happy Workers 4-H Sewing and Canning club of Bethel met at the home of Miss Wilma Campbell on Aug. 9 at 10 o'clock for their regular meeting.

The morning was spent in regular business meeting and work on the program to be given on Aug. 25.

At noon a splendid dinner was served by Mrs. Fred Campbell and Mrs. Jennie Hudgins.

The afternoon was spent in demonstration work. Each girl demonstrated the making of a fancy stitch and explained the canning of a vegetable or fruit. The girls chose the subjects for the team demonstrations.

For the social program they practiced the program to be given later. Those present were Misses Fido Redburn, Eunice Boteler, Birdie Ruth Brown, Corinne and Verla-belle Kelley, Zelma Wormington, Ola and Ollie Mae Little, Eula B. Pearson and Donniegene and Emagene Smith.

Wilma Campbell, the mascot, Geraldine Thetford; the leader, Miss Vernie Hudgins; Mrs. emmie Hudgins, and Mrs. Fred Campbell.

The club girls and leader are giving a program on Aug. 25 and invite everyone to be present. The program will be followed by a box supper, the proceeds of which will be used to buy club pins, and for other needs of the club girls.

If you want to know how the 4-H girls can entertain just be present on Aug. 25.

Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Watson were at home Sunday at noon with a family dinner.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Stinnett of De Moines, N. M.; Miss Lucy Stinnett of Fort Sumner, and Mr. and Mrs. Marion Stinnett.

Miss Mary Robertson went to Clovis Sunday for a few days visit with friends.

PERSONAL ITEMS

Mrs. Wiley Todd of Elida visited her daughters, Mrs. Lowry Johnson and Mrs. J. R. Shock, the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Perry are leaving today for their home at Perryton, Tex.

Mrs. Whitcomb returned from Dallas Thursday. Mrs. Whitcomb says every one in Dallas is buoyant over the fact that hard times are over. She said merchants were advertising for salesmen and there was a general spirit of optimism everywhere.

Rev. Linebaugh of Roswell, who is presiding elder of this district, will be at the local church for both morning and evening services Sunday, Aug. 27.

Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Redman and children of Amarillo, Tex., were week end guests in the J. T. Redman home. P. C. is Rev. Redman's son, and his son John, who was visiting them in Amarillo, returned with them.

Oscar Thurston is expected to be in Portales this week in the interest of McMurray college, where he has been teaching.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Slaton and Mrs. Slaton's sister, Miss Anna Levick, and Kenneth Jones spent Sunday at Ruidoso and Cloudcroft.

Mr. and Mrs. Locker and daughter, Miss Edna, came in from Denver Sunday. Miss Locker is the home economics teacher for Portales the coming year. The Lockers formerly lived in Portales and have many friends who will welcome them.

Mrs. D. W. Dunn of Clovis were guests of Mrs. Prue Connally and Mrs. C. V. Harris Tuesday.

Mrs. Mildred Sweet and B. Presley of Italy, Tex., came Monday to take Jean Sweet, Mrs. Sweet's daughter, to her home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Patton and Mrs. Esther Clevenger went to Amarillo Sunday for a visit with Mrs. Charles Goodloe and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Turner.

N. Stool is in St. Louis this week on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Harris came in Saturday from Melrose, where they had visited Mr. Harris' mother. Mr. Harris is psychology teacher at Texas Woman's college at Fort Worth last year and Mrs. Harris took special work there.

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BIRTHDAY DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. McCall were at home Saturday honoring their brother, Clarence Carroll, on his birthday. The dinner was spread at noon and those beside the immediate family present were Mrs. C. W. Carroll and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Carroll and wife and son Richard Allen.

B. AND P. CLUB

The B. and P. club met Monday for a penny social at the home of Mrs. Maude Smith. Each person paid a penny for each serving of food. The money is to be put into the educational fund for helping worthy girls.

The response to roll call was "The Achievement of Some Noted Woman." The meal was eaten on the lawn and the ladies repaired to the living room for the business session.

The club will have a bridge party on Aug. 22, the money to go to the educational fund.

Those present were Mrs. James Christie, Mrs. Rusha Smith, Miss Norene Yoachum, Miss Hale of California, Mrs. Nonnie Mac Jones, Mrs. Esther Clevenger, Mrs. Lurline Morrison, Mrs. Lucy Armstrong, Mrs. H. H. Buchanan, Mrs. Ed J. Neer, Miss Mabel Morrison, Miss Loretta McCarty, Miss Estelle Johnson, Mrs. Irma Belle Smith and Miss Lela Smith.

BENEFIT DINNER BRIDGE

The civic committee of the Woman's club is planning a benefit bridge for the evening of Aug. 29 at the Woman's club building.

There will be a creole dinner with old-fashioned southern cooking and southern melodies.

Mrs. McCarty and daughters, Misses Naomi, Loretta and Maybelle, moved Tuesday to what is known as the Chumbley house on Main and Kansas.

Mrs. J. T. Redman and daughter, Miss Jane Abbott, returned Sunday from a ten days' visit to Charles Abbott and family at Albuquerque.

Mr. and Mrs. Wat Stewart and Lee Carter and Miss Neil Carter left Sunday for a few days' stay at their cabin, "The End of the Trail," near Weed.

Atty. and Mrs. Turner Hensley are moving into the house next door to Dr. Hensley, where the McCartys have been living.

Mrs. N. O. Wallace and Mrs. Marie Barnes entertained in their home, 622 Funston, Wednesday afternoon with a miscellaneous shower honoring Mrs. Richard Davis. Those participating in the event were Meedames Rice, Nelson, Hatch, Ledsford, Bourland, Woolley and the honoree, Mrs. Richard Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Walton will be over from Dimmit this week to take Mrs. Walton's mother, Mrs. N. B. Fields over to Dimmit for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Barrett left Sunday morning for Amarillo and other points. They are leaving their children in care of Lela Mae Minyard.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed J. Neer and Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Neer and Miss Virginia Kessler went up to the Girl Scout camp Saturday. The Neers spent the night Saturday night at Artesia, Sunday at the camp and Sunday night at Cloudcroft. Miss Kessler stayed for two weeks' instruction in Scouting.

Miss Elsie Parnell returned Monday from a two weeks' stay at the Mary White Girl Scout camp.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Young and Mr. and Mrs. Arle Reynolds returned Friday from a visit to relatives at Weatherford, Tex.

The J. H. Lee residence on Colorado street is being completely redecorated and put in first class shape. It is understood that Mr. and Mrs. Will Moodyman have rented the place for the present and plan to live there for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim South and sons of Elida were in Portales Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Price and son James of Greenville, Tex., were overnight guests Wednesday with Mrs. Lillian Taylor. Mrs. Price is a sister-in-law of Mrs. Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. John Serl of Hutchinson, Kas., spent last week in the S. P. Jones home.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Reda Taylor Wednesday evening, a 7 pound boy. He has been named John Franklin.

Miss Ruth LeMaster spent Saturday with Miss Gladys Lee Warren. In the afternoon the young ladies attended the show.

Mrs. James Hall and Miss Jane Allice of Clovis and Eldridge Meers spent the week end at the Jordan ranch. Judge and Mrs. Meers and Miss Kate McManaway and W. H. Garret were also dinner guests on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John V. Mauk and daughter Jane and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shaw left Friday for a trip to the mountains.

Nolan Fields left Thursday for a visit to Dimmit, Tex.

Mrs. Carrie Lorrain and daughter Virginia are on the sick list this week.

Douglas Terrill, one of the stars in the backfield of the Portales football team, is in Portales ready for school to start.

Clint Fairley, who is working in Clovis, was a Portales business visitor Saturday.

Sid Pearson, while roping a calf Monday, was thrown from his horse and bruised. There were no broken bones. His horse became entangled in a wire fence and fell, throwing Mr. Pearson to the ground.

Harry Lee and wife and Mrs. O'Dell left Monday for a visit to Unionville, Mo.

Floyd Raymond, who has been attending the Normal college at Las Vegas, is here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Raymond.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Freeman and Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Harris left Tuesday for several days vacation at Ruidoso.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

A. K. Scott, Pastor
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning service, 11 a. m.
Visiting of shut-ins by Young People's society at 2:30 Sunday afternoon. Meet us at the church and go with us to scatter sunshine abroad in the heart of one whose physical eyes cannot behold the beauty of creation.
N. Y. P. S., 6:45 p. m.
Evening service, 7:45 o'clock. Services will be dismissed Sunday evening for the Union Temperance service on the lawn of the court house square.

Renew Your Health By Purification

Any physician will tell you that "Perfect Purification of the System is Nature's Foundation of Perfect Health." Why not rid yourself of chronic ailments that are undermining your vitality? Purify your entire system by taking a thorough course of Calatals—once or twice a week for several weeks—and see how Nature rewards you with health.

Calatals purify the blood by activating the liver, kidneys, stomach and bowels. In 10, 20 and 35 day packages. All dealers. (Adv.)

To Our Friends and Patrons—

We find it necessary to make some changes in connection with our business, and beginning Sept. 1 we are going to put into effect certain service charges which we have heretofore been able to absorb ourselves. These charges will be made on as near a cost basis as possible, and are necessary to help pay the operating expenses of our bank. These charges will be as follows:

On active checking accounts with average daily balance for any one month of \$50 or less, a minimum monthly service charge of 50 cents will be made on such accounts where five checks or less are drawn against the account during the month. Three cents will be charged for each check given in addition to the five checks.

Balances of \$50 or under, with only two checks or less are not considered active accounts, and are exempt from the 50 cents service charge if withdrawn from the bank direct at the window.

Accounts with average daily balances of \$50 or more, one check free with each \$10 balance with 3 cents charge for each additional check, and a minimum service charge of 50 cents.

Accounts of churches, lodges, municipalities and charitable organizations are exempt.

In explanation of the fairness of this charge, a bank cannot use more than 75 per cent, or \$7.50, out of each \$10 deposited, leaving 25 per cent to be used in the transaction of daily business. At 5 per cent, \$7.50 would earn 37½ cents a year, or about 3 cents a month. It has been definitely ascertained by bank experts that it costs 3 cents for overhead expenses to handle a check drawn against an account. Thus, it will be seen that the charge of 3 cents per check is fair and equitable.

Exchange will be charged on all out of town checks.

It is to your interest as well as ours that safe and sound banking service be maintained, and that your balances will be available to you under any and all circumstances. Our bank accepts your deposits with this understanding, but in order to meet it, our bank must keep sufficient reserve on hand, as well as make a profit out of our business to pay expenses, taxes, etc. With earning capacity now reduced to a minimum by economic changes which have swept the nation, it becomes necessary to charge for the services we perform.

We feel sure that you, as a depositor, will co-operate with us in our new plans and we will be glad to give you further information should you desire it. We appreciate the business you have given us in the years passed, and it is our desire to continue those pleasant relations, to make our business both pleasant and profitable to all concerned, and to deserve your support and your co-operation.

The First National Bank
Aug. 15, 1933
Portales, New Mex.

FAIRFIELD

Mrs. Larry Mills of Amarillo visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Brown, the first of last week.

There were eighteen car loads of our community folk enjoyed a hamburger fry in the hills Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Kleeman, Mr. and Mrs. Knox were visitors in the William Kleeman home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Harpold spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Boone.

Mrs. Pin Curtis and little daughter were visitors in the Brown home one evening last week.

John Harpold spent Saturday night with Lewis Thatcher.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Taylor and little son of Big Springs, Tex., spent Saturday night with C. C. Curry and family.

E. J. and Gladys Harpold and Miss Verna Brown taken Margaret Allen to her home near Corona Sunday. She has been visiting with friends and old neighbors here the last three months.

Several young folks spent Wednesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Bert Moss.

Odessa Elrod of Clovis and Emily Bell Rison spent Thursday with Vivian Bradley.

Mrs. Bub Snell and Miss Helen Martin visited the Center club Thursday.

Leo Huber and family spent Saturday night and Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Thatcher.

Lewis Thatcher spent Sunday with John Harpold.

Mrs. Lula Haynes spent Saturday evening with Mrs. W. F. Martin.

PERRY

Hugh Allen Mitchell and Jake Hill returned from Texas last week.

Mrs. Joe Faulhaber was visiting in the Sparks home Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Widner spent Saturday night with Mrs. Widner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Newman.

J. R. Hill spent Monday night with home folks, but returned to Texas after another load of fruit.

Charles Sparks is visiting his grandmother at House.

Mrs. Tom Hill spent Saturday in the Mason Henry home.

Mildred Henry spent Saturday night with Lorene Newman.

Thelma Mae Ross and Billie Lou Henry spent Saturday night with Ruby Fay Newman.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Armstrong spent Sunday at House.

Dollie Hill and Glenn Mitchell took supper Sunday night with Glenn's sister, Mrs. George Griggs.

Alpha Hill was visiting with Lorene Newman Sunday.

Lorene Newman spent a few days last week with her sister, Mrs. Harley Widner.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Wharton was visiting in the Hill home and also the Jack Black home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Newman was shopping in Clovis Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Franklin was visiting in the J. R. Hill home Saturday afternoon.

Those who took dinner in the E. O. Sparks home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hill and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Roddy Wallace and son, Miss Rita Tibbit, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Dryden and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Davis were visiting with them in the afternoon.

Misses Ethel R. and Clydetta Dryden are visiting their sister in Clovis this week.

There is to be a Christian meeting start at Perry Friday night, Aug. 18. Every one come out and help Bro. Huff with the meeting.

There was a large crowd out for church and singing Sunday night.

Agnes Henry spent Monday night with her sister, Mrs. J. B. Armstrong.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Maupin was visiting with Mrs. Maupin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Dodd, one day last week.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Chapman, who has been with the Port Summer church in a revival meeting, will be with his church here Sunday morning.

The B. Y. P. U. will meet at their various places of worship at 7 o'clock Sunday evening.

Midweek services will be held as usual at the church Wednesday evening.

Y. W. A. S. will meet Monday evening at the Annex at 8 o'clock.

Choir practice will be held at the church Friday evening.

There will be a business and social meeting of the W. M. S. Thursday, Aug. 24, at the church at 2:30. Circle No. 1 will be in charge.

MIDWAY

There was no preaching at the 11 o'clock hour Sunday. Bro. Ludlam could not fill his appointment at that time.

Bro. Ludlam preached to a large crowd Sunday night, which was the beginning of the meeting at Midway.

Miss Fay Danforth came down from Portales last Monday to visit friends at Midway.

Mr. and Mrs. Winston Hiner left last week for a visit with Mr. Hiner's parents in Frederick, Okla.

Messrs. Virgil Allen, J. P. Worthington and Granville Russell visited Mr. and Mrs. Odis Danforth Sunday.

Mrs. Geach Russell accompanied her sister, Miss Anna Belle Gregory and Mary Lou Smith, back to their home in Oklahoma for a visit.

Mr. Denny and wife of Bledsoe, Tex., were in Midway Saturday and had the misfortune of getting his windmill broken by a baseball while there.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Corder of Picherick community visited their daughter, Mrs. H. D. King, Thursday.

Mrs. Will Adair and "Grandma" Russell visited relatives at Morton, Tex. Sunday.

Misses Louise and Marguerite York and Willie Mae and Hazel Cardin visited Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ingalls Sunday.

Misses Donnie and Veta Bilberry visited relatives in the Bluit community Sunday.

We are sorry to report Mrs. S. M. Williams on the sick list this week.

Rev. Ludlam and son, Harlan J., visited in the D. O. Bilberry home Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bilberry and family visited Mrs. Carothers Sunday.

Miss Edna Merrick, who has been visiting her brother, Robert Merrick, for some time, has returned to her home at Lamesa, Tex.

Follow Rules to Make Good Jelly

Good jelly can be made from many fruit juices, says the Extension Service, if one understands the principles involved in jelly making and carefully follows them.

To make good jelly, one must have a fruit juice that contains the proper kind and amount of acid and right amount of pectin, sugar in the proper proportion to pectin and acid, and proper cooking.

If fruits are gathered during bright, clear weather, they contain less moisture and more pectin than when gathered in damp weather.

Fruit juices which contain both pectin and acid in proper kind and amounts and from which jelly can easily be made are crab apple, sour apple, plum, currant, gooseberry, black and red raspberries, blackberry, cranberry, and half-green grapes.

Fruit juices from which jelly can be made by the addition of pectin are rhubarb, apricot, peach, strawberry, cherry and pineapple.

If acid is added to juice from pear, quince, blueberry or sweet apple, jelly can be made.

One excellent means of increasing both the acid and the pectin is to add the juice from tart apples to the juice that is lacking in one or both factors.

Pectin can also be obtained by boiling the white inner portion of orange peel and in straining it, homomacous pectin extract may be added in the proportion of one-fourth to one-half cup to one cup of juice. Commercial pectin is available in both liquid and powder forms.

If acid is needed, the juice of tart apples, green grapes, or from citrus fruits, especially lemon juice, may be used. One tablespoon of lemon juice can be added to one cup of other fruit juice.

The amount of sugar needed is determined by the amount of pectin present rather than by the volume of juice. The less the proportion of sugar used to pectin the tougher the jelly, but the greater proportion the softer the jelly.

To determine the amount of pectin present, put a tablespoon of cold fruit juice into a glass and add to it a tablespoon of denatured alcohol. If a thick, gelatinous precipitate forms, the juice contains a good deal of pectin. If it is a solid mass, one cup of sugar may be used for each cup of juice. If the mass is slightly broken, it is better to use three-fourths cup of sugar to one cup of juice. If only a small amount of precipitate forms, one-half as much sugar as juice is advisable. If only flecks of precipitate are formed, pectin should be added. Watch the test carefully, as alcohol dissolves pectin in a short time.

Epsom salts may be used in a similar way as the denatured alcohol.

Rufus Stinnett Back From Eastern Tour

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Stinnett came in Friday evening from an extended trip through the north and eastern part of the United States.

They went from here to Chicago, Niagara Falls, down the Hudson to New York, to Philadelphia, Washington, through the Ohio valley to St. Louis, and to Portales.

The most interesting sight that they saw on their trip was the fair at Chicago. The exhibits that appealed most to Stinnett were the industrial. They were better than those of the states or of foreign countries.

The most interesting sight in Ann Arbor, Mich., was the grass golf course. It reminded him of walking on a heavy carpet.

He states that the traffic in New York City was too much for a country boy like him. He had to do his traveling when the traffic was at its lowest volume.

They remark of the dress and appearance of the large number of the laboring people. Some of the appearances noted were the poor keep of their person, their color and bad teeth.

Another peculiarity that they noticed about greater New York was that the people have to cross on the ferry or live in underground apartments. There are some exceptions.

The most beautiful city visited was Washington, D. C. They liked the country around the capital.

It seems to them that the country is waking up from the depression. There were not as many bums as they expected to see.

The N. R. A. program is going over in every place that was noted.

EAST VALLEY VIEW HOMEMAERS CLUB

The Homemakers club of the East Valley View community met Wednesday, Aug. 9, with nine members present. "Home Improvement" was the subject for discussion. The next meeting will be Wednesday, Aug. 23.

The Portales Homemakers club has been invited to join East Valley View in a covered dish luncheon, after which the two clubs will compete in an old-fashioned spelling bee. Every member in both clubs is cordially invited to enjoy the day at the East Valley View school house.

Miss Fern Pike of Clovis spent this week in Portales visiting Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Pike.

Mrs. Lacy Armstrong is expecting. Miss Myrtle Plant and her nephew of Albuquerque this week for a visit. Miss Plant has visited friends here before, having been a girlhood friend of the late Mrs. W. E. Lindsey.

Fred Lee, who lives three or four miles northwest of Portales, had his appendix removed last week. The work was done in the Clovis hospital. He is home now and doing fine.

hol but the test is not as satisfactory and will not work for grape juice. To use, mix together one teaspoon of cooked fruit juice, one-half teaspoon of sugar and one-fourth teaspoon of cream salts. Stir until all are dissolved and let stand fifteen minutes. If the mixture sets into jelly within this time, it is a good jelling juice.

After the sugar is added, boil the juice vigorously. Stir well to keep it from scorching. When the jelly is finished, the juice drops off the spoon in a sheet. Pour it quickly into hot sterile glasses within one-fourth inch of the top. When the jelly is set, fill up the glass with hot paraffin. Put on the lids. Wipe glasses, label and store.

Tough jelly is caused by using too little sugar for the amount of pectin. Gummy jelly is caused by over-cooking, as long cooking tends to destroy the jelly-making power of the pectin. Cloudiness may be caused by straining through too thin a cloth, by squeezing the jelly bag, by not skimming thoroughly, or by allowing the jelly to cool slightly before it is poured into the glasses. To avoid crystals in grape jelly, the juice may be canned and the jelly made during the winter.

If you need other information on jelly making see the Extension Service, State College, N. M.

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Wheat Payment Is 20c per Bushel

New Mexico wheat growers who sign adjustment contracts will receive 20 cents a bushel this fall and either 8 or 10 cents a bushel next spring an allotment of 54 per cent of the average past five years production, in return for acreage reduction pledged, according to announcements received from the Agricultural Adjustment administration.

In the contract the farmers will be asked to agree to reduce acreage planted for the 1934 and 1935 crops by the percentage that the secretary of agriculture may determine necessary to adequately control production, but in no case will a farmer be asked to reduce more than 20 per cent of his average planted acreage for the last three years.

If all wheat farmers of New Mexico accepted the plan, the first 20 cent payment would amount to approximately \$350,000. Secretary Wallace has made public an estimate that the taxable consumption of wheat in the United States for the next year, under the 30 cent processing tax which was put into effect July 9, will amount to 400,000,000 bushels. The total tax from this source will be \$138,000,000 for the year, administration officials estimate.

The second payment to be made next spring after farmers have given evidence that they have reduced acreage, will be for not less than 8 cents nor more than 10 cents a bushel on the allotment, less local administrative costs. Administration officials decided on the 2 cent reserve in the second payment in order to insure freedom of action if the opportunity arises to help wheat growers by opening up new export markets. If no such opportunity is found, the second payment will be made on the 10 cent basis.

First checks will be mailed as soon as county wheat production control associations can be organized to administer the wheat plan locally, and complete the farm allotments.

Tom Chambers Estimates Cotton Crop Bale to Acre

The Tom Chambers irrigated farm was visited this week. The two main crops on this farm are tomatoes and cotton.

The tomato crop consists of three varieties. The Bonnie Bests are ripening faster than the other two varieties. Chambers was not sure that the cause of this was due to the variety. The plants were transplanted.

He likes the Break 'O' Day variety better than any, unless they sunburn. They do not have as much foliage as other varieties and the fruit seems to be thicker on the vine.

Pritchard's Early Red Tops are not as early as the Bonnie Bests in this field. They were planted in the field instead of being transplanted.

The cotton is half leg high. It is loaded with blooms and bolls. Some of the bolls are already grown.

He was watering the cotton the last of last week. This was to keep the cotton from shedding. It is about as thick as cotton can grow.

Chambers is an old cotton raiser. He states that he has only had two other crops as good as this one in his life. One of these crops was destroyed by the boll worms.

He has a poor stand of Irish potatoes that he is not able to account for. What he has are in bloom and growing.

He has other crops that appear to be growing and doing well. Boffi his kitchen and flower gardens indicated that they have received excellent care. The sample of tomatoes that he sent the Portales Valley News was good.

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Home From a Visit to Arkansas

Mr. and Mrs. John Young returned Sunday from a two weeks trip into Arkansas and Oklahoma.

The most of the country that they came over was needing rain at the present time. It seems that it has been short of rainfall, more or less, all this season.

Springdale, Ark., is located in one of the main truck farming districts of that state. There was estimated to have been about a third of a crop of beans.

From the reports that Mr. Young could obtain, the main crop of tomatoes is already harvested in that locality. The tomato farmers have about quit shipping fresh tomatoes and are marketing them at the canning factories.

Truck Farm of Sermon-Smith Is Looking Good

The Sermon-Smith truck farm was visited this week. It is a twenty-acre track and is planted in a number of different crops.

Only two acres were planted in sweet potatoes this year, on account of the market conditions of last year. However, these potatoes have the ground covered and show to be in the best of growing condition.

There are four acres of tomatoes of which the Bonnie Best variety is the favorite. They state that it is just as good producer and ripens as fast or faster than other varieties.

They spoke well of the Break 'O' Day variety. They state that it is a heavy yielder and is similar to the Bonnie Best variety.

The bean crop is already harvested. This crop was not as satisfactory as it has been for some reason or other. The ground is replanted in hagar, which is about knee high.

The cane for syrup is heading. The cotton is estimated to make a bale to the acre, unless some destructive agency strikes it.

The crops appeared to be in A-1 condition. They were being watered Monday afternoon.

Golf Bugs Have Been Biting Good

Some of the Portales golf players are taking more notice to their game since Robert Dohoney has been visiting in the city.

He went out the first evening he was here and shot 35. Some of the players state that his balls just go straight despite the bumps on the fairways.

Mr. Dohoney calls himself an amateur golf player. He makes his living as cashier of a bank in Italy.

Several of the locals are managing to keep their scores under 40. However, they kindly look Dohoney over when he makes some of his shots.

G. W. Carr says that "Coach Brown and I made the course in par. However, we only played five holes and quit."

It has been reported that C. J. Whitcomb will start giving lessons in amateur golf. He is reported as making the course in 38, one day this week.

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W. M. Drinkard Has Good Tomato Crop

W. M. Drinkard, one of the Portales valley truck farmers, is trying out the New Pritchard Scarlet Topper tomato this year.