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Carlsbad Current

JOHN L. EMERSON, Editor.
C. C. EMERSON, Editor.

The Official Paper of Eddy County.

Published every Saturday morning at Carlsbad, New Mexico, and entered as second-class mail matter.

SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 1901.

"LOANING COUNTY FUNDS."

The Argus of last week contains an editorial, under the above heading, which is remarkable in several respects, particularly so for its grating sound of insincerity and its wonderful ignorance of the moral and legal responsibility of the office holder. So far as to the loan of county funds is concerned, that is evidently a dead issue until the legislature makes due provision therefor, and we would not continue a discussion of the subject here, except for the purpose of laying bare to the public gaze, the manner in which the republican organ of this county seeks to create political capital.

From a careful consideration of the above mentioned article we are forced to the conclusion that the editor of the Argus, seeing in Mr. Walker's explicit letter the finish of his own persistent effort to cause an ever present political stench, the atmosphere in which it seems most to thrive, has in his desperation made another attempt to hold the present collector and treasurer up before the eyes of the people in odium. He plainly states that he is neither the champion of Mr. Walker nor of Mr. Hitting in the manner of loaning county funds, and that "the interest which it has in the matter is solely for the public weal." But the nature of the argument presented destroys the force of this last statement, which we will here illustrate.

The Argus says:
"As a legal justification of his position, Mr. Walker's letter was lamentably weak. He offers the statement that there is no law authorizing the loaning of the county funds. The force of this statement is effectively destroyed by the counter one—there is no law prohibiting it. An act not in itself unlawful—namely, is permissible until forbidden by direct legislation."

Herein is a new doctrine of law promulgated—permissibility. The editor of the Argus insults the intelligence of our citizenship when he attempts to advance such a theory of law "solely for the public weal." If the people of Eddy county have ever been imposed upon it was by the students under the old Eddy regime, when the doctrine of permissibility was in full force and effect, and when any form of lawlessness in county affairs was permissible. Our people are sick of the old practice of permissibility; and when they gave Mr. Walker the largest majority ever received by a candidate for the responsible position he holds, they did not give him to understand that he should have free rein to the extent of doing anything under the sun, permissible by statute. Has the Argus overlooked the fact that Mr. Walker took an oath of office, and that he took an oath to fill the duties of the office in the letter and spirit of the law? Under his oath he must abide within the law, and not without it, as this student of the doctrine of permissibility has urged him to do. The practice of anything permissible in county affairs has brought us into dire straits. We want no more of it.

Let us make a practical illustration of the doctrine of permissibility. Here is the statutory law on the subject:

Embezzlement.—If any person, having in his possession any money belonging to the territory, or any county, precinct or city, or in which territory, or county, precinct or city, or the collector or treasurer of any precinct or county, or any treasurer or disbursing officer of this territory, or any other person holding an office under the laws of this territory, or who is entrusted by virtue of his office, or shall hereafter be entrusted with the collection, sale, keeping, receipt, disbursement, or the transfer of any tax, revenue, fine or other money, shall convert to his own use, in any way or manner whatever, any part of said money, or shall loan, with or without interest, any part of the money entrusted to his care as aforesaid, or willfully neglect or refuse to pay over said money, or any part thereof, according to the provisions of law, so that he shall not be able to meet the demands of any person lawfully demanding the same, whether such demand be made before or after the expiration of his office, he shall be deemed and adjudged to be guilty of an embezzlement.

Notice particularly what is here said about failing to comply with the demands of any person lawfully demanding funds from the treasury. Now, Mr. Argus, suppose Mr. Walker had followed your advice and made a time loan of the sinking funds now in his hands. If you please, what would be his predicament on the first day of next July when the county commissioners demand \$10,000.00 of those funds to pay off bonds? Under the above statute he would be a candidate for the penitentiary on the charge of embezzlement. And the doctrine of permissibility would not apply for his relief.

The statement that the Argus has the good of the public weal at heart has the sound of tinkling brass. Where was that paper and its doctrine of permissibility during the two years just past when its own candidate for the office of treasurer and collector held that position? During these two years did we hear anything about loaning county funds from the public weal

paper? Evidently the doctrine of permissibility is likened to a porous plaster, to be used not according to the nature of the case, but according to who is supposed to be ailing. The republican organ attributes an ailment to the democratic administration and would apply a remedy which it was never willing to prescribe for its own administration. Quack doctors never use their own medicines.

There is still another reason why the people of this county are looking with suspicion on the attitude of the Argus in this matter. If he had really had the interests of the people at heart the editor of that paper would have proposed to Mr. Walker to loan the county sinking funds to the cattlemen of this community, and thereby bring the county a revenue far greater than 5 per cent. He is bound to know that the cattlemen of this county are the best security in it, and that they would gladly borrow from the treasurer and collector at a rate of at least 10 per cent. Why did the Argus overlook this great disparity in the income that could be derived under the doctrine of permissibility. If the county funds could be loaned we would certainly advocate loaning it to the cattlemen, for their security is of the best, and they would use the money in a manner calculated to increase the taxable valuation of the county.

In its frenzied zeal to create political capital the Argus has overshot the mark, and laid bare an ulterior purpose in urging Mr. Walker to loan the county funds. It has submerged itself in odium while seeking to rest the same upon a democratic official.

COUNTY FINANCES AND THE RATE OF TAXATION.

Every good citizen, whether he is a large tax payer or a small one, or none at all, is justly more or less interested in an honest and economical administration of public affairs, and in the amount of taxation levied upon the property of the people.

Some political economist, who do not now remember just whom, has said that the best criterion of a people's capacity for self-government is the rate of taxation they permit to be levied. If they are listless and careless of the administration of public affairs, those in immediate charge of the public administration also become more or less careless and reckless of public expenditure. Tried by this criterion, the people of New Mexico and of Eddy county hardly present a strong and forcible claim to the right of self-government. The territorial rate of taxation is \$1.555 on the \$100 valuation; the county rate is \$2.03 on the \$100 valuation, exclusive of the special levies for the different districts. In order to get the total rate upon the property of citizens of Carlsbad, special levies amounting to \$1.00 on the \$100 must be added, making a grand aggregate, at Carlsbad, of \$4.585 on the \$100. In other words, this rate is more than money loans for in the East, on good security. A man without a dollar, in the East, can afford to borrow money to do business on better than he can afford to do business on his own capital in Eddy county. It is hardly possible to conceive of a worse state of affairs, from a financial point of view, than we have in this community.

Now, every good citizen, regardless of a party affiliation or faction, or of personal differences over local politics, will agree with us that if this state of affairs can be remedied at all, it should be and must be remedied. It is not a question of whose personal interests it hurts or doesn't hurt. It is a matter of vital importance to the public welfare, and in such case, the private interests of each individual must be set aside for public good of all. Let us look into this matter and see wherein, if anywhere a remedy can be applied. In so far as the power of the citizens of Eddy county goes we have no control whatever over the territorial rate of taxation. The responsibility for that rate, amounting to \$1.555, or over one-third of the whole rate, rests with the territorial legislature. Our present representative in the house, at Santa Fe, has from the beginning been a consistent, earnest and able advocate of retrenchment and reform and for the reduction of the rate of taxation in the administration of the territorial and the local government. But such is the condition of affairs in this territory, and such is the character of the territorial electorate, that he will shortly return home thoroughly disappointed in his hopes and expectation of accomplishing anything in the legislature of substantial benefit to the people. Hence we are compelled to dismiss from the domain of possibilities every hope of reducing the territorial rate of taxation.

Coming to the county rate, we are confronted with the inexorable fact that our people are burdened with a county indebtedness aggregating, in round numbers, \$75,000.00 made up of court house and jail bonds, \$30,000.00; floating indebtedness bonds, \$25,000.00; our part of the Lincoln county bonded indebtedness, \$19,000.00; county current expense bonds, \$7,000.00; and bridge bonds, \$4,000.00. The whole of this indebtedness draws 6 per cent interest per annum. In the foregoing Carlsbad school bonds and other items of local indebtedness are not included. The interest on the above county indebtedness, amounting to \$1,500.00 a year, must be

met; not only must the interest charge be paid but more than 2 per cent of the principal, amounting to \$1,555.00, must also be paid each year. This is unavoidable, and there is no escape from it. Besides this, the current expenses of the county government, under the Bateman law—one of the wisest and most wholesome laws ever provided for the administration of any government—must also be met and paid. The aggregate valuation of the taxable property of the county is only \$1,296,774.00; the amount of territorial and county revenue that must be provided each year, unless some of the items of the county expenditures can be reduced, is \$47,724.16.

Therefore, the solution of the problem confronting the public lies solely in the reduction of the county expenditures, if possible and practical. In other words, in what particulars or items can these county expenditures be reduced? For the purpose of determining this we have gone over the various items of the county expenditures, as shown by the records in the offices of the probate clerk. In this work, solely for the public interests, we have been courteously assisted by Mr. Owen. The result is that we find that of the court house and jail bonds, \$10,000.00 can be redeemed next July. These bonds, drawing interest at 6 per cent, will reduce the annual expenditures \$600.00 in the matter of interests alone. It was also gratifying to learn that, by and through the competent and honest administration of the county affairs by the county commissioners for several years past, the money is on hand to redeem these bonds, and that the commissioners will in fact redeem and cancel them at the July term of the commissioners' court. This redemption will effect a substantial reduction in the county expenditures. Another result of our investigation was the knowledge that the road and bridge fund is now in such a condition that the road and bridge rate of 1 mill may still be reduced one-half without detriment to the public interests, thus further lowering the annual public charge about \$650.00. We also learned that \$2,000.00 of the Lincoln county debt can be paid next January, and that the money will be on hand to make the payment. Other minor items of reduction can and will be made in Eddy county's indebtedness by our present commissioners, but the amounts here mentioned are the only substantial items that can now be wiped out forever. Certainly the zeal of the administration to reduce the county expenditures is bearing fruit, evidencing good faith on their part, and it leads us to believe that if the attention of our commissioners is directed to any particulars wherein reductions can be made according to law and without injury to the public interests, it will receive their hearty co-operation.

Some complaint has been made that certain county officers have not been administered as economically and with as faithful a regard for the interests of the public as they might have been. No one should feel at liberty to censure any public official or call in question his fidelity to the public interests without substantial and reliable evidence of his misfeasance. Mere street talk will not do, nor will the idle vapors of envy or political jealousy answer the proof. The law provides certain fees for the performance of the official duties of the several county officers. No reasonably fair-minded man can or will censure an officer for claiming the fees for his services allowed by law. In fact, it is contrary to the spirit of the law, by the courts universally recognized as contrary to the public policy for an officer to fail to claim for his services such fees as are allowed by law. The courts have held over and over again that a candidate for office, who offers as an inducement for his election the acceptance, in case of his election, of fees less than the law allows him, is guilty of indirect bribery, and for such offense forfeits the right to the office to which he is elected. In other words, that he is guilty of a legal and a moral wrong, and is not worthy to be entrusted with an official position of trust and confidence. If the fees allowed a public officer are in excess of what is reasonable and conscionable, it is the duty of the public to remedy the evil by sending to the legislature men who will advocate and effect a reformation of the law in this particular. If the public cannot do this, then the public are at fault, the people themselves are to blame, and are not fit for self government.

The responsibility for the present state of affairs in the matter of taxation lies with the party in power at Santa Fe, whose words, emanating from the capitol and from the republican territorial committee, is law, and it should not, with any degree of self-respect or decency, lie in the mouth of the local supporters of this party to denounce the enforcement in Eddy county of the very law which their party has forced and fastened upon the people and has compelled our officers to obey.

With respect to the indebtedness of \$75,000.00, it is but simple justice to the present democratic administration of county affairs to say that substantially every dollar of it was fastened upon the people by the old Eddy regime, when the word of the Pecos Irrigation & Investment Company alias the Pecos Irrigation & Improvement Company, was the law in this county. They it

was who imposed the indebtedness of \$30,000.00 upon the people for the court house and jail; they it was who ran the current expenses of the county up so high that it was necessary to issue 6 per cent bonds, and they issued them, to pay off the floating indebtedness of \$25,000.00, \$5,000.00 of which was represented by warrants drawn in 1893 when there was money in the old First National Bank to pay these identical warrants; but the payment of which was refused by the bank, the cashier of which afterwards defaulted as treasurer of the county for nearly \$9,000.00. This default of \$9,000.00 was made good to the county by one of the sureties on the bond of the cashier buying up claims against the county, which fell as low as 40 cents on the \$1.00 on account of the mismanagement of county affairs, and which claims were worked in on the county at 100 cents on the \$1.00. Seven thousand, additional, of this indebtedness was funded in 1891, being current expenses of the county which were not met and paid when due under the former commendable administration of county affairs. Three thousand more, bridge bonds, was made to build the bridge across the river on the road leading to La Huerta, which property the Eddy regime owned at that time, and with tended greatly to enhance the value of the Eddy property of that north side suburb.

Yet, in the face of these cold facts, the former mouth-piece of the old Eddy regime is weekly ringing the changes, as of a fire bell at dead of night, against this awful condition of county affairs, and is holding up to public odium the present county administration for not at once remedying this identical state of affairs which its former friends and patrons deliberately and corruptly brought about. In a word, an effort is being made to make all the county officers of the present, and of one or two former administrations, particularly the county commissioners and sheriff, scape goats in the minds of the people, for the condition of affairs for which the former friends and supporters of the very organ raising this hue and cry are directly responsible. Such affront is admirable for its very coolness and boldness, but can it, or will it, mislead or deceive any clear-headed, fair-minded citizen? Its purpose is to effect a change in the political complexion of the county administration. In view of the former administration of the affairs of the county under the old Eddy regime and in view of the present administration, do the intelligent, fair-minded tax-payers of the county, regardless of politics or faction, desire such a change? What, since January 1, 1895, when the party now in power first took possession of the county government, having even since been responsible for its administration, has it been doing except struggling and striving by every honest and practicable means possible to keep the county government a-going, and to provide against the day of reckoning and payment of the enormous indebtedness which the former regime imposed upon the too long-suffering tax-payers of the county?

Within a few months, the present county administration will pay off \$10,000.00 of indebtedness, and at no time will they impose another dollar of indebtedness upon the people. From time to time afterwards, as the people come in to pay their heavy burden of taxes, made necessary and unavoidable by the shameless impositions of former years, will the present party in power continue economically to administer the affairs of the county and save up the public money against the day of payment, and in due time this burden will be removed, and when it is paid off and discharged the people will have not only themselves to thank for it but also the county administration which will have been faithful to the trust imposed upon it, and will have made honest disposition of every dollar entrusted to its care for the payment of the indebtedness unjustly fastened upon the people.

Let the good people of the county sit down at their fire-sides, and on their still blocks and at their several places of meeting, and justly and honestly counsel and reason together about all these things, and fix the blame where it fairly belongs, and place the credit for faithful services where it is justly due; and in our judgment the administration of the county for the last six years, as well as for the next decade, will have no reason to fear the verdict found. Let equal and even-handed justice be done though the heavens fall.

LAST week the CURRENT made the statement that this county will do well to recover from the results of early maladministration within twelve years. We meant what we said. The Argus this week tries to make us say that it will be twelve years under democratic administration before we can have "a little relief." Now, Brother Fuller, don't pervert our language. It is beneath your position. It is neither dignified nor convincing in argument. Face the issue squarely, Brother Fuller! You know that the men who relieve this county of \$75,000.00 debt within twelve years will be looked upon as angels of mercy. You will get the relief you want in broken doses. Take your medicine like a man. Above all, don't pervert language.

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Strong metropolitan plays that have a heart interest. Adequate scenery for the proper production of each. Specialties galore.

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Local News.

The attention of advertisers is called to the fact that it is impossible to reach a majority of the people of Eddy County through any other medium than the **CURRENT**. Investigate this matter to your own satisfaction.

"Northern Lights."

W. M. Reed was here Saturday.

"Northern Lights" Monday night.

John F. Dunaway, of Florence, was in town Wednesday.

"Northern Lights" by Curtiss Comedy Company Monday night.

Hon. U. S. Bateman will arrive at home on Sunday, the 24th.

J. M. Miller, Eli and Luther Foster, of Hope, were in town Monday.

Doc Reed came in from the Guadalupe Tuesday with a load of Mohair.

E. O. Creighton, editor of the Roswell Record, was in Carlsbad Saturday.

J. N. Dunn, of Rocky, was here to enjoy the big sand storm this week.

Carl M. Bird, an insurance broker of Roswell, was in Carlsbad Thursday.

Judge Richardson, of Roswell, passed through Carlsbad, enroute south, Saturday.

W. U. Dannelly and wife are the happy parents of a baby girl born on the 15th inst.

Governor Otero has granted Tom Ketchum, alias "Black Jack," a respite until April 29th.

D. H. Rosenwald, of the hustling firm of Flesher & Rosenwald, was selling our merchants cigars Thursday.

W. A. Watkins has rented the Hagerman farm near Florence, and will occupy it with his family about the 1st of April.

Many friends of Will Nesbitt, are pleased to see him located temporarily in Carlsbad, and hope it may be made permanent.

Tom White, commissioner of Chaves county and one of the largest cattle owners in the Valley, was here Saturday and Sunday.

W. G. Polsgrove, the genial manager of the wool-scouring plant, accompanied by his wife, arrived here Wednesday from Nevada, Mo.

Dr. Wright reports that their is a case of small pox in the family of C. B. Willingham at McMillan. A strict quarantine has been established.

George A. White, the big sheep owner who formerly lived in Eddy county, and is now living at Hagerman, was in Carlsbad after sheep shears Thursday.

Gen. R. S. Benson returned Monday from quite a long trip to Washington, where he has been in the interest of the drift fences. He reports that the fences will be allowed to stand one year from April 1st, 1901.

Dr. Wright was called to McMillan Tuesday morning to see Mrs. Waller and the family of Wm. Mhoon. He had just returned home when he was again called to see R. P. Segrest, who had badly sprained his right ankle.

Alex Vaughn, who has been sick for some time with a throat affection, died Monday morning. His death was not unexpected. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. H. J. Powell, Monday afternoon and were attended by a large concourse of friends.

To-morrow will be Stockmen day at the Baptist church, and all cattlemen and cowboys are specially invited to be present. Morning theme: "What is Your Mark and Brand?" Evening: "The Good Shepherd, Who Gave His Life." Young people's meeting, 6:45 p. m. All welcome.

Mr. Klaunder spent Thursday with a force of men working on the power dam. The results of his labor were very apparent, there being an immediate rise of three inches of water above the dam. Messrs. Klaunder & Rauch are hustlers and are constantly on the alert for anything that will improve the service of the lights or telephones.

Mr. Richard E. Smith, brother of Mr. Julian Smith, who has been visiting in the Pecos Valley for the past three weeks, departed for his home in Colorado last Friday. To the many friends which Mr. Smith gained while here, the day when he departed was a sad one. It is to be hoped that he will return at an early date.

Bishop H. Granjon of Tucson, Ariz., will arrive Saturday (to-day), and will administer confirmation at St. Edward's Catholic church to-morrow—Sunday. He will be accompanied by Rev. S. Wagner, O. C. C., of Stanton, Texas. Services will commence at 9:30 a. m. All non-catholics who desire have an opportunity to witness the administering of the sacrament of confirmation.

The Curtiss Comedy Company has just closed a two weeks' engagement at Roswell. It is the strongest company ever in the Valley. Tansil Opera house all next week.

Gee whiz, but that Elite shaving parlor is the most elegant place in the southwest. And the barbers are up to date; we know, we have been there. Opposite postoffice.

J. T. Cooper, manager of the New Saddle store, bought from Joseph W. Moon Buggy Co., direct from the factory, a carload of fine buggies. They will arrive about March 15th.

Joyce, Fruit & Co., are shirt maker's agents and make shirts to measure cheaper than any traveling agent that comes to Carlsbad. They guarantee their work in every respect and are easy of access if your garments do not please you.

George McBiles wants it generally understood that he is still in the horse-breaking business, and guarantees his work. Anything from a broncho to a giraffe trained and thoroughly tamed to work. If you don't believe it just try him and he will show you. 1117

Joyce, Fruit & Co., are local agents for two of the most extensive and best known custom shirt makers in the United States. They show a beautiful line of new effects in fine shirts, and guarantee both perfect fit and satisfaction in every detail.

If you want to see an up-to-date meat market please come and examine the U. S. Meat Market in the Osborne block. Their decoration for Xmas will beat anything in the territory. We came here to stay and we are going to stay. We give you more satisfaction than any shop that has ever been here.

The O. K. blacksmith shop has secured the services of an expert painter and are prepared to paint your carriages, buggies or anything that needs painting. They are also prepared to do fine sign painting at very low rates and on short notice. When you need anything in that line don't fail to call at the O. K. shop or telephone No. 38.

The humorous lecture by Harr Wagner at the opera house Tuesday night was the "fake of the season." He said quite a number of things, but never connected his remarks sufficiently to enable his hearers to catch the drift of them. He reminded the writer of a bumble bee in a barrel, buzzing around in search of the bung hole. He seemed entirely lost in his subject. It is difficult to conceive how a man can collect sufficient amount of nerve to travel over the country representing himself to be a lecturer, when he is no better fitted than Harr Wagner. It is such impositions as this that disgust those who enjoy this class of entertainment with efforts to secure something of merit. The local manager of the opera house was found laughing in edginess in the rear of the Tansil block, Wednesday morning.

near the scene of his diabolical infringement upon the patrons of the lecture course. May this be a warning to all would be local managers.

For Sale or Trade.

An almost new \$450 Harvard piano for \$200 cash, or will trade same for cattle. Call on or write,

W. H. MULLANE,
Carlsbad, N. M.

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For Sale.

Cheap for cash—3 grain fed, seasoned work horses; three wagons, one black land plow and a fine Jersey cow.

HENRY DETMERS, the Hayman.

For Sale.

A good well of water, 12 miles southwest of the Hat Ranch; good range, fine water and no loco. Write me at Carlsbad.

JOHN H. STEWART.

Attention.

I have four very fine game roosters for sale; also some eggs.

PHIL KIRCHER.

WANTED: To buy stock sheep, inquire of the CURRENTY office, or at Dave Blocker's residence.

C. T. ADAMS.

A singer sewing machine is a luxury that the poorest person can enjoy, only one dollar and twenty-five cents per week.

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My line has never been more complete than this season. Come and see for yourself.

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City Council.

The city council held a special meeting Monday night. Present, Mayor Emerson, Trustees Woerner, Smith and Ezell. They agreed to pay the P. I. I. Co. \$100.00 for water. They then made the following appropriations for the coming year:

Payments on town hall.....	\$333.74
Interest on bonds.....	75.00
Fire department.....	100.00
Seavenger.....	250.00
Street improvements.....	850.00
Street lights.....	100.00
Treasurer.....	60.00
Recorder.....	60.00
P. I. I. Co., water.....	100.00
Marshal salary.....	1.00
Current expense.....	70.00

On motion a levy of 2 1/2 mills on the dollar was ordered for the year 1901, on all property either personal or real situated in the town of Carlsbad.

JOHN L. EMERSON,
W. H. MULLANE,
Recorder.

Mass Meeting.

There will be a mass-meeting of democrats at the court house Thursday, March 28th, at 7:30 p. m., for the purpose of nominating candidates for the various city offices. All democrats invited to attend.

COMMITTEE.

Down at the U. S. Meat Market they sell, pickled pigs feet, weiner sausage, bolonia, fresh head cheese, corned beef, pickled pork, sour kraut and fresh and salt water fish every Friday, also the best meats that the country produces. You ring the bell and they do the rest. Telephone No. 24. 513

Notice of Change of Road.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the board of county commissioners of Eddy county to change the road from Carlsbad to Seven Rivers, now running diagonally through Sec. 36, Twp. 21s, Range 21e, to the south line of the said section, again intersecting the old road about one mile south of the line line.

(Signed) JOHN LOWENBRUCK,
W. H. ANGELL.

March 18, 1901.

Synopsis of statement of the Atlas Assurance company of London, U. S. branch, January 1, 1901:

Gross assets.....\$1,044,103.05
Liabilities.....600,328.16
Net surplus beyond capital \$ 435,074.89

JOHN L. EMERSON, Agent.

To Patrons of the City Water Works.

You are hereby notified that the water is for domestic uses only. Those who supply their neighbors with the city water, or use in for irrigation, will be cut off from the mains.

CARLSBAD WATER WORKS.
By A. R. O'QUINN, Collector.

MR. CHAS. ROE, Gen'l Agent Singer Manufacturing Co.,

DEAR SIR:

I have been trying to compete with the Singer machine for six years. I now find that with all my talking and persuasion I cannot sell enough machines to pay expense of horse and wagon. I now want your agency and I want it bad. Respectfully,

January 1, 1900. J. S. CROZIER.

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Items from Roswell Record.

A. N. Pratt, the Carlsbad lumberman, was in the city yesterday.

C. C. Emerson, of Carlsbad, was in the city Monday.

W. W. Gatewood, of Carlsbad, was looking after legal business here Tuesday.

D. L. Kemp, of Carlsbad, was looking after business interests in Roswell Tuesday.

The editor of the Carlsbad Eagle has laid aside the gunnysack that has formed his dress attire the past many moons. He announces that "Uncle Billy" Barfield has set 'em up to a nice new suit of jeans.

B. G. Stegman tarried here Wednesday on his way from Amarillo to Carlsbad. Mr. Stegman will soon be a permanent resident of Amarillo, having purchased the telephone system of that city.

The trail of the serpent has never been far from any of the proceedings of the present legislature. With only three or four exceptions, all of the legislation accomplished by it has been for partisan ends and with the effect, if not the deliberate intent of putting the territorial treasury beyond all danger of a troublesome surplus. The honorable body should be given all credit for what good it has done, but the people generally will heave a sigh of relief when the members go marching home. If it had not been for such men as Bateman and Hinkle and a few others, the whole affair would have been a howling waste of conscienceless grabbers.

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Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Roswell, N. M., January 7, 1901.

A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Morgan M. Davis, contestant, against homestead entry No. 69 made Sept. 25, 1895, for the N. 1/2 of the sec. 6, township 18 S., range 21 E., by Sidney Jackson, contestee, in which it is alleged that the said Sidney Jackson has wholly abandoned said tract, and changed his residence therefrom for more than six months since making said entry, and next prior to "the date herein," that said tract is not settled upon and cultivated by said party as required by law, and that said alleged absence from the said land was not due to his employment in the army, navy or marine corps of the United States as a

private soldier, officer, seaman or marine during the war with Spain, or during any other war in which the United States may be engaged; said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence concerning said allegations at 10 o'clock a. m. on April 2, 1901, before the register and receiver at the United States land office in Roswell, New Mexico.

The said contestant, having, as a proper affidavit, filed January 25, 1901, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.

Howarth L. Lash, Register.

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